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In emphasizing that her policies were a return to old-fashioned basics, Mrs Thatcher had one adamant warning about the money supply.

It would "take time", she admitted, to squeeze inflation out of the system. But she added: "Monetary growth has to come down. And let everyone who is involved in setting prices and in negotiating pay understand that we will do whatever is necessary to ensure that it does".

In Whitehall, it was said afterwards for anyone still in doubt that the Prime Minister simply means business, however many times she has to say it. If necessary she will cut public expenditure still further if it is needed to cut monetary growth.

Only when Mrs Thatcher was confident that reducing interest rates would be "consistent with the money supply staying on target" would they come down. She had no more comfort for those suffering from the present rate.

The individual, and "only he is the engine of the country's recovery", was beginning to recognize what was needed, the Prime Minister said.

It was that inflation must and can be brought down; that inflation meant more unemployment.

She went on: "The British people know in their hearts that wage increases, not fully offset by increases in efficiency or productivity, simply add to costs and prices and therefore to unemployment. To take something for nothing in the short run may mean that there is nothing left at all in the long run.

"Our people recognize that what matters in the end is whether we can sell our goods at a profit. If we can, we are in business; if we cannot, a firm goes under and the jobs with it. It is as simple as that."

The implications were different for different people. Ministers had to tell the facts; employers had to leave nobody in doubt about their firms' affairs

Trade union leaders, and here her words were sharper, "have to decide whether to work with economic forces for the benefit of their members or whether to use their industrial muscle to secure a short-term gain at the cost of making things worse for those they represent in the long run.

Higher food prices to restore production would be politically difficult to introduce

Crisis faces Zimbabwe tobacco, grain and beef farmers

From Nicholas Ashford
Salisbury, June 11

Zimbabwe, which used to be the second largest exporter of agricultural produce in Africa after South Africa, is going through a serious crisis involving its three most important commodities—tobacco, grain and beef.

The country is already having to import 40,000 tonnes of maize for this year and expects to import a further 200,000 tonnes for 1981. Beef production has fallen so drastically that rationing is likely to be introduced during the next month or so. Because of the collapse of the international price of tobacco, between one third and one half of the country's tobacco farmers may be forced out of production by next year.

The decline in grain production by commercial farmers is likely to exacerbate the already serious levels of malnutrition in the tribal areas. For years now, the commercial sector has made up for the shortfall in grain production by peasant farmers in the overpopulated, under-developed tribal trust lands.

However, because of the disruption caused by the recently ended war, production by farmers in the tribal areas has fallen to even lower levels than usual, and the commercial sector is no longer in a position to meet this shortfall.

According to a recent survey, carried out by the International Committee of the Red Cross in 10 protected villages, more than 40 per cent of children were suffering from malnutrition. This situation is understood to have deteriorated since then as a result of the tens of thousands of refugees who have streamed back from Zambia and Mozambique as well as from the cities.

The crisis in the commercial farming sector is something which the new Zimbabwe Government has largely inherited from previous white administrations. "It is mainly the result of a distortion in the pricing system which was designed to keep consumer prices low", said Mr David Spain, president of the Commercial Farmers Union (CFU). "It is unfortunate that the present crisis should have coincided with the installation of the new Government."

Mr Spain and other agricultural spokesmen emphasized that the present situation affecting grain and beef production, though serious, was not unsurmountable. "Given the right sort of incentives there is no reason why we should not be exporting again within a year or two", Mr Spain said.

Because maize prices have been officially held down for the past six years, the area under production has dropped by about 40 per cent as rising costs made it increasingly less viable for farmers to grow maize. The result has been that this year's maize crop will be only 600,000 tonnes compared with 1,200,000 tonnes in 1973.

"This is not enough to feed ourselves", said Mr Ted Tindle, chairman of the Grain Producers' Association. He pointed out that between 1967 and 1978 while economic sanctions were in force, the country had been exporting an average of 500,000 tonnes of maize a year. "However, this year we are having to

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£80,000 for first folio puts dealers in dilemma

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent

A first folio edition of Shakespeare was sold at Christie's yesterday from the library of Arthur J. Houghton, the American millionaire collector, for £80,000. The book world was holding its breath to see where the price would get to this time.

Last month a first folio was sold in Paris for 269,430 (2.6 million francs); most copies that came up for sale in the 1970s sold in the £10,000 to 20,000 bracket. The contrast left the book trade in a dilemma as to what this work was really worth.

Dealers, "experts" and auctioneers were full of explanations for the wide difference. But the rationalization after the event rather stretched the imagination.

The expensive copy was "clean", complete, untampered with and unrestored—though it had been rebound in the early nineteenth century. One dealer described it as a coffee table copy.

The less expensive version had been extensively restored and had some substitute leaves. But it had the original seventeenth-century binding and an interesting eccentricity in the form of extensive annotations in the hand of a seventeenth-century owner.

Quaritch, the London dealer who bought it on behalf of a client, stand very much at the centre of the new Shakespeare price boom. They were the underbidders on the first folio sold in Paris on May 20 from the library of another distinguished American resident, Francis A. Kettaneh.

The earliest surviving literary manuscript of Alexander Pope, his *First Copy of the Pastoralls*, comprising 37

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British marines off to New Hebrides

By Hugh Noyes
Parliamentary Correspondent
Westminster

A company of Royal Marines, consisting of about 120 men, together with support units is to be flown from Britain to the New Hebrides tomorrow. The company is part of the spearhead battalion based in Plymouth and is expected to arrive in Port Vila, the capital, on Saturday.

The Marines will join a contingent of French gendarmes, sent to the islands yesterday from Noumea in New Caledonia.

Announcing the decision to send troops, Mr Peter Blaker, Minister of State, Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, tol dthe Commons yesterday that no progress had been made towards a reconciliation with the rebels on the island of Espiritu Santo and that the security situation in the New Hebrides had deteriorated in the past 24 hours.

On Tanna, another island of the condominium, an opposition political leader, M Yolu, was killed. The exact circumstances that the sending of troops did not mean that French and British attempts to find a peaceful solution had been abandoned.

The intention, Mr Blaker said, was still to persuade both parties to resume negotiations.

From the Labour benches it seemed to be opposition for opposition's sake with little that was either responsible or sensible.

As Mr Patrick Cormack, Tory MP for South West Staffordshire pointed out, about the only thing the Opposition had not called for was an United Nations peace-keeping force.

More trouble expected: On Tanna island where rebels fought a pitched battle with police in the early hours today, about 1,000 people are huddled on a beach below Isangel (Denis Reinhardt writes from the New Hebrides).

As the sun set this afternoon, long lines of villagers carrying belongings and children, filed along the road leading to the beach.

In the hamlet of Isangel the two police forces have established separate and overlapping patrol lines. Captain Richard Rouse, the British commander, and Major Alain Benson, his French counterpart, have been left to coordinate their activities without any instruction from Port Vila.

The French squad has been instructed to guard the 342-pupil primary school and its French staff while the British are covering the police stations.

The body of Mr Alexis Yolou was to be returned to Tanna tomorrow after a post mortem at Port Vila.

The French police say he was also shot through the neck by a .22 rifle while he was lying on the ground. Yolou was said to have had a bag containing bombs and teargas grenades. Detectives are investigating.

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Press photographers with cameras at their feet as M Barre, the Prime Minister, left the Elysée yesterday. They were protesting at police harassment. Report page 7.

Carrington Olympic talks offer

By Our Foreign Staff

Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secretary, has written to the chairmen of Britain's 15 governing bodies concerned with the Olympics inviting them to meet him on June 17 at the Foreign Office. A similar letter has been sent to Sir Denis Follows, chairman of the British Olympic Association.

In the letter Lord Carrington writes: "Much has been said and written about Afghanistan since the Soviet invasion at the end of last year. But it is clear to me that misunderstandings still exist about the precise nature and extent of the Government's views, particularly as they affect the Olympic Games."

The Foreign Secretary says he recognizes the feeling that sport should not feature in Government policy "or, indeed that we might have taken additional, even harsher measures in other fields".

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Mr Carter to face a record budget deficit

The United States budget in the 1981 fiscal year, which begins on October 1, 1980, is certain to show a deficit that could reach a record of $70,000m (about £30,000m). President Carter, who had pledged to secure a balanced budget for 1981, can expect sc e criticism from the Republicans as the presidential election campaign develops. The final blow to hopes of balancing the budget came last week when Congress rejected an oil import fee that would have raised $10,000m (about £4,300m) next year. Even with the continuing decline in administration officials acknowledge that it will require more than interest rate lowering to stimulate growth. Mr Carter appears to be moving towards accepting the need for fiscal stimulus. Page 21

Industrial action threat by Nalgo

Commitment to industrial action in opposition to government public spending cuts was approved by the traditionally moderate National and Local Government Officers Association (Nalgo) at its annual conference. Delegates called on the executive to fight cuts in services where there was or was not a threat to Nalgo members' jobs. The decision could lead to disruption of local government services Page 2

Security chief to leave Ulster

Sir Maurice Oldfield, the former head of British Intelligence, is to leave his job as security coordinator in Northern Ireland within the next few weeks. His role has partly been overtaken by new appointments in the province, and he has been unwell Page 2

Two-tier plan for D-notices

A two-tier system of D (or defence) notices whereby some notices are published and only those containing sensitive material remain confidential, is suggested by the Permanent Secretary to the Ministry of Defence Page 4

'Split' in Church of England

A Gallup survey shows a serious division between the leadership of the Church of England and its ordinary members. Church-goers seem to prefer traditional rather than modern language services Page 5

Summit to unveil peace initiative

The formal presentation of Europe's new Middle East peace initiative will be the main event of the EEC summit meeting, which opens in Venice today. The heads of government of the Nine are expected to urge the involvement of the Palestine Liberation Organization in the peace negotiations Page 6

Libyan shot dead in Milan

A Libyan was shot dead in Milan yesterday and another shot and injured in Rome as Colonel Gaddafi's deadline for opponents to return or be liquidated expired. In London, police put a special watch on Middle East embassies. About 40 demonstrators rallied outside the Libyan mission Page 8

New cash crisis faces Chrysler

Chrysler Corporation has run into a new cash crisis because delays in arranging bank credits are preventing the release of $500m in loan guarantees from the United States Government. Chrysler has been forced to cease payments to some of its supplies to conserve cash until the government money comes through Page 21

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Saudis reluctant to impose oil price rise

From Nicholas Hirst
Algiers, June 11

Saudi Arabia, the largest oil exporter in the world, is keeping its price at $28 a barrel despite the decision of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries to fix a new higher range of prices.

Most of the moderate members of Opec, including Iraq, Qatar, Kuwait and Venezuela, are to raise their prices by $2 a barrel from July 1. The ceiling of $37 a barrel for official government selling prices should prevent anything but small increases by the African producers, Algeria, Nigeria and Libya, whose high quality crude is used to fix the price of North Sea oil. Any rise in North Sea prices should be less than $1.

But it has been clear from ministers' comments here today and from the vagueness of the final communiqué prepared at an all night session that only a loose structure has been achieved within Opec.

It is better than nothing for those such as Shaikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani, the Saudi oil minister, who was pessimistic when he arrived of gaining the unified price structure he believes to be in the interest of both the producers and the West.

The agreement represented a first step towards unification of prices, he said, but he did not believe that raising the price at the moment was in accord with the state of the oil market. He also said the Saudi's would not cut their production until a unified price structure emerged.

There are now effectively three tiers of Opec prices. Saudi Arabia is at the bottom with $28 a barrel; a middle range of "moderates" will relate to a "benchmark" of $32; and up to $37 will be charged by countries whose production, quality or freight costs justify a premium.

Saudi Arabia could bring its price up to the benchmark, which ironically is based on the quality of its own light crude, at any time during the three months of the present price agreement. Shaikh Yamani said his country would watch the market, but he would not be surprised if there was no increase in the Saudi price before Opec's next meeting on pricing in September.

Uncertainty over oil prices remains, but further heavy risees seem unlikely. The huge increases of the past 18 months look to have ended.

Towards an orderly market, page 23

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Callaghan, Leader tion, said last night no reason why the ome should be re- crosanct at all, and one.

comment which arest among anti- Westminster, who t Mr Callaghan, Secretary, led the by the British within the treaty. teers who were for withdrawal felt een outflanked at ause the Cabinet's mmittee had taken decision to nego- the terms of the opponents of the that by doing so be no question of fundamentals.

han said last night iew on BBC radio's ogramme that it a very difficult to tear up the certainly I see no we should be less our defence of what we regard as the best interest of Britain and the nationhood of Britain as anybody else".

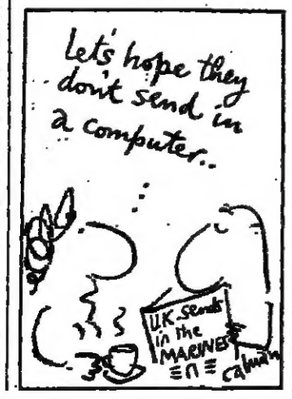
He added. "Or atleast they say so to interviewers, and I would not put it beyond Mrs Thatcher, for one moment, to take us out of the Common Market if she thought there was some advantage in so doing".

Mr Callaghan said that Europe was not a party issue particularly. He said: "I have always thiught that the idea of closer unity between the European countries is valuable.

Asked about the new campaign for withdrawal, spearheaded by Mr John Silkin, shadow minister for industry, Mr Calaghan said:

"The issue of British membership clearly is a live issue because again all these polls show the majority of British people want to come out of the Common Market."

"An isolated withdrawal would upset the whole balance of Europe very much indeed, but on the other hand the commission has got too much power at the present time. It is too bureaucratic in my view."



Sir Harold is 'satisfactory' after operation

By a Staff Reporter

Sir Harold Wilson, the former Prime Minister, underwent major abdominal surgery at St Mark's hospital, London, yesterday.

He was admitted on Monday for tests for recurring bowel trouble. His condition after the operation was said to be satisfactory.

Sir Harold, aged 64, is expected to be in hospital for at least two weeks. His wife visited him yesterday.

Hess's son to visit London

Berlin, June 11.—Herr Wolf Rüdiger Hess, the son of Hitler's former deputy, Herr Rudolf Hess, will come to London next Thursday at the invitation of Mr Cyril Townsend, Conservative MP for Bexley, Bexleyheath. The purpose of the visit is to enable Herr Hess to discuss his father's position with a House of Commons sub-committee.

Herr Hess told *The Times* today that he believed his father's condition was worse than admitted by the four allies who are in charge of the Spandau Prison, where he is held. Herr Rudolf Hess is the only prisoner in Spandau.

mson plea for talks on new technology

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rganization's annual meeting in London, Lord Thompson recalled that a year ago, when Times Newspapers' publications were not being produced, the issue of new production technology was put aside for separate talks between management and unions.

"It is a matter of deep regret to me that those quadrupartite talks have not yet taken place. We must all be sensitive and understand the anxieties felt when new methods of working are contemplated. But I appeal most strongly to the NGA to adopt a positive approach to this issue so that these great newspapers can enhance their prospects of moving forward into profitability and self-sufficiency."

Describing the equipment Times Newspapers had installed as commonplace in many countries of the world, he said that it remained unused. Lord Thomson gave a warning that Times Newspapers would make a substantial loss in 1980, despite regaining most of its circulation and markets.

Disputes procedures were generally being followed, he added, but while the record at *The Times* was good, "in the case of *The Sunday Times* it has often fallen short, sometimes it is true because of mechanical troubles, but also because of industrial relations problems".

Nevertheless, he was giving 100 per cent backing to management's efforts to build a sense of common purpose.

Lord Thomson said that the company's development programme continued apace, particularly in the United States.

Oil profits were considered as a finite resource, and the organization's prime task is to reinvest those funds in sound ventures. The company would be enthusiastic applicants for further licences for North Sea exploration.

That income enabled the company to invest heavily overseas without impairing its investment in Britain. Lord Thomson estimated that development expenditure in Britain, excluding oil, would be £200m over the next five years.

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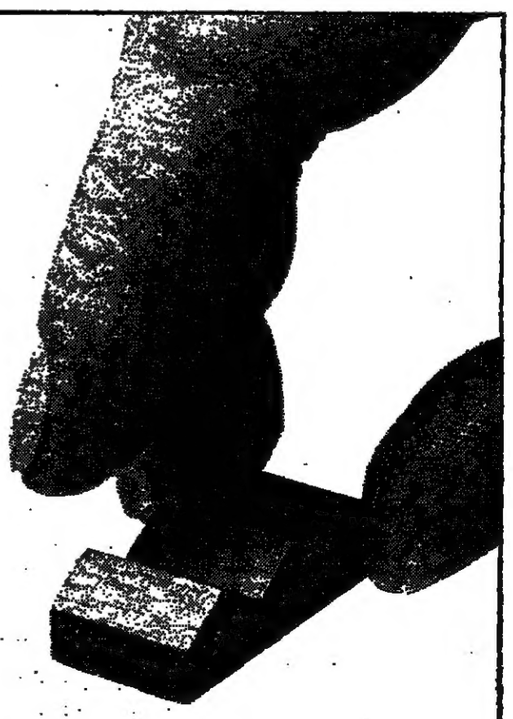

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Commitment to industrial action as Nalgo opens campaign against cuts in public spending

From David Felton
Labour Reporter
Eastbourne

Britain's fourth largest union yesterday launched a campaign of opposition to the Government's public expenditure cuts and made a commitment to take industrial action in defence of services.

The traditionally moderate National and Local Government Officers Association (Nalgo) came out against the cuts in principle an dnot only in cases where union members' jobs were affected.

That decision by the union's annual conference in Eastbourne is an important departure for the 750,000-strong union and could lead to disruptio nof local government services.

Delegates, however, declined approval of a left-wing motion calling for the union to impose a series of specific sanctions against local authorities, including working to rule, lightning walkouts, strikes and sit-ins at council offices.

It is understood that the call for industrial action, which was supported by the union executive, led to a split in the leadership and several executive members' support was lukewarm.

Mr Geoffrey Drain, the union's general secretary, said after the decision: "We are not about to go slap-happily striking all over the place. I do not think anyone will be taking it as an immediate call not to cooperate with the Government.

"Wht it does mean that if members decide to take action they will have the backing of the national executive council."

Nalgo members throughout the country are refusing to cover for unfilled vacancies and in certain areas are taking further action, including not cooperating with council's attempts to reduce their spending.

The motion, approved overwhelmingly by the conference and supported by several large branches, including Glasgow, Liverpool and Manchester, called on the executive to "promote and approve action, including industrial action, to fight cuts in services, whether there is a threat to Nalgo members' jobs or not".

The leadership was also instructed to prepare and operate a strategy for concerted action on a national basis

Mr James White, a new member of the executive who proposed the motion, said: "This is a quite clear commitment from this trade union that we are seeking to take industrial action in defence of services whether members' jobs are at risk or not".

Mr William Gill, chairman of the union's economic committee, told the conference it was important that they unite behind the new policy despite any misgivings some of them may have.

Photograph by David Jones

Demonstrators going to lobby MPs at Westminster yesterday in a campaign to defend the Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons Act and ensure equality and independence for all disabled people.

Immigration ban put to test by Scientologists

By Frances Gibb

Two European members of the Church of Scientology were detained by immigration officials yesterday when they tried to enter Britain in defiance of the 12-year ban on entry by foreign Scientologists. A third member was allowed in.

They were detained despite a ruling last month by an immigration appeals adjudicator against the refusal of a Gatwick airport immigration officer to allow a German Scientologist, Baroness von Reichenbach, to enter.

Dr Thomas Kroiss, aged 32, an Austrian doctor who works without drugs, arrived at Heathrow at 9.30 am and was given permission to stay for six months. The Home Office said he had made no mention of his membership of the Church of Scientology and simply asked to stay for a holiday. But a spokesman for the church said that Dr Kroiss was "cut off mid-sentence" when giving his reasons fo rentry.

"He went to see the Inspector of Immigration, after being allowed in, and asked if they realized he was a Scientologist. The inspector sai dthat that was all right."

The cases of the two other Scientologists, who were detained by immigration officials at both Heathrow and Gatwick, interviewed, and released for the night, will be reviewed today.

The Rev Evert Doeve, aged 52, a full-time Dutch minister with the Church of Scientology, was detained this afternoon when he arrived in clerical dress at Gatwick, stated his membership and asked permission to stay for "pastoral counselling".

Later, at Heathrow airport, Dr Otto Peter Kreneg, aged 38, a doctor of law at Vienna University, who aims to work for mental patients and take a Scientology course, was detained.

Mr Peter Thompson, a Scientology said; "The Home Office policy is in shambles. There is complete confusion in the ranks of immigration authorities, who do not know what the official line is."

The Home Office denied yesterday that it had decided not to appeal against the recent immigration appeals adjudicator's ruling. But Mr Thompson, quoted the letter from the Immigrationm Office to the clerk to the tribunal.

Deted June 6, and signed by Mr Martin Flint, Chief Immigration Officer, the letter stated, he said: "Please accept this as formal notice of withdrawal of that appeal on behalf of the immigration officer, Gatwick". The letter was sent by the appeals adjudicator.

Sir Mau[rice] Oldfield is to lea[ve] Ulster

From Christopher T[...]
Belfast

Sir Maurice Oldfi[eld,] head of British Intel[ligence,] the most enigmati[c] reachable figure i[n] Ireland, is to leave in a few weeks.

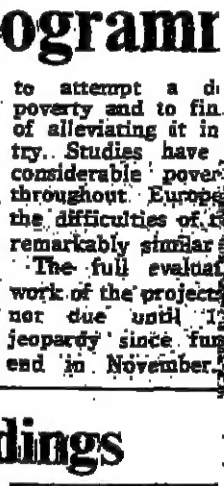
He came to B[...] Prime Ministerial knock together th[e] the feuding army leaders. In the eve[nt] at the top made t[...] necessary, and he d[...] to exceed his offic[e as] security coordinato[r].

Sir Maurice's su[ccessor has] been chosen and [...] nounced soon, but the name is know[n ...] senior military [...] bureaucratic figures quietly suggested Maurice's replaceme[nt] have a military ba[ckground].

Sir Maurice, w[ho is] popular among [...] whom he has deal[t ...] recent months take[n ...] from work because of his health and i[...] this has influenced of his departure.

He came in Nov[ember ...] it was never intend[ed ...] job would last lon[g ...] was promptly dir[...] importance by the of Mr Jack Herm[on, chief] constable and Ma[...] Sir Richard Laws[on,] who unlike their have established rapport.

Sir Maurice, su[...] "M" of the J[...] novels, refuses app[...] newspapers and po[...] is known for bomb[...] his staff. He has [...] being photographe[d ...] thern Ireland only *Down Recorder*, a newspaper in co[...] rejected a delug[e of Fleet] Street money for [...]



Sir Maurice: Hea[...] him way from w[...]

NUR set to debate merger plan

By Donald Macintyre
Labour Reporter

The future of a new TUC-backed initiative aimed at reducing inter-union friction on the railways depends mainly on how it will be received by the policy-making annual general meeting of the National Union of Railwaymen which starts on June 30.

The plan, which if implemented would define the rail unions' respective spheres of influence and provide for a new joint railway trade union council, was yesterday approved by the train drivers' union, the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen, which held a policy conference in Sheffield.

It is by no means certain, though, that the National Union of Railwaymen, the largest union involved, will in fact endorse the proposals, advanced by Mr Len Murray, general secretary of the TUC, when its rank-and-file policy-makers convene in Guernsey at the end of this month.

TUC bar on incomes policy issue at talks

By Paul Routledge
Labour Editor

The TUC is to take up an invitation to bilateral talks with the Confederation of British Industry, but the critical issue of pay restraint will not be on the agenda.

Industrialists had wanted to discuss with union leaders a wide range of economic matters, including the high level of wage settlements ahead of the winter round of collective bargaining.

But the remit set for the TUC's "Neddy 6", its team on the National Economic Development Council, rules out any serious discussion on incomes policy.

Under policy guidelines set by last year's congress, the unions are empowered only to talk wage restraint with the Labour Party as part of a grand plan to regain office at the next election.

That view was reaffirmed yesterday and as a result, the CBI initiative will get off to a very much less impressive start.

TUC officials envisage a three-stage development of the bilateral talks opening next month with the formal launch of a joint strategy on the introduction of new technology in industry.

After that, the two sides of industry will examine in joint working parties the difficulties being experienced in a number of industries.

The third stage, about which the TUC is altogether more nebulous, will take the discussions into macro-economic issues such as import controls, and the Cabinet's policy on interest rates and the exchange level of the pound.

These talks are not expected to get off the ground before the autumn, when the next pay round will be under way.

Nonetheless, there remains a hankering after incomes policy in Congress House, and the circumspection of officials yesterday suggests that a trade-off of wage restraint for an open withdrawal of political support for the Government by the CBI could be a runner, if only at staff level.

Prisoners' charter denounced

By Our Political Reporter

Three former Labour ministers with Northern Ireland portfolios yesterday denounced a party statement on "oppression" in Ulster prisons as being totally irresponsible.

They are: Mr Roy Mason and Mr Merlyn Rees, both former Secretaries of State for Northern Ireland, and Mr Donald Concannon, a former minister of state, who are members of the party's study group on Ulster.

Earlier this week the party's home policy committee approved a resolution for discussion by the study group which amounted to a charter for prisoners' rights.

It suggested the right of prisoners to negotiate the choice of work, training and educational facilities, and urged that prisoners be paid union rates, and the right to union membership.

The three former ministers who attended a study group meeting said the proposals were not only irresponsible in the context of Ulster but could also damage the standing of the Labour Party in the country.

IRA murder campaign is restarted

From Our Own Correspondent
Belfast

The Provisional IRA has relaunched its murder campaign against prison officers after a respite of more than three months.

The banned Ulster Freedom Fighters has also launched a campaign against prison warders said to be maltreating "loyalist" prisoners.

The IRA's campaign reopened two days ago when a Belfast prison officer was shot as he walked down the drive of his home w

Pistol shots hit his hand and leg but he was not seriously hurt. It was the second IRA attack on him in seven months.

The Provisionals halted their murders during the talks between Cardinal Tomas O Fiaich, the Roman Catholic Primate of Al Ireland, and Mr Humphrey Atkins, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, on the "dirty protest" by inmates of H block at the Maze prison near Belfast.

The IRA has decided that the talks are getting nowhere. Two sessions have been held and at least one more meeting is planed, but a date for that has not been fixed.

Holiday home owners' voting law criticized

By Fred Emery
Political Editor

A complaint that a growing number in an elite class of electors in England and Wales are using holiday homes to get on to more than one electoral register and then "presumably choosing to vote in the most marginal" constituency is made today by one of Britain's most reputed compilers of election statistics.

Mr Fred Craig, in *Britain Votes 2*, a compendium of election results from 1974 to 1979, suggests in his preface that a minor alteration in the present law changing the word "residence" to "principal residence" would almost certainly eliminate the vast majority of multiple registrations.

Mr Craig does not put a figure on it in his book, but in an interview he estimated that there were more than 100,000 dual-registration voters. He based that on a study done for the Home Office in 1967 and on his own surveys. He says that the penalties for voting twice are minimal and the offence extremely difficult to prove in court.

Only by cross referencing each separate constituency register, presumably by computer, could the multiple figure be ascertained. The Home Office has no plans for any such scheme and the Office of Population, Censuses and Surveys has no compilations available from surveys.

Including students who are also legally allowed to register both at their lodgings and at their homes the figure could be much higher than 100,000.

Britain Votes 2. Parliamentary Research Services, 18 Lincoln Green, Chichester, West Sussex, £8.50.

CBI calls for incentives to steel towns

From Tim Jones
Swansea

The CBI in Wales yesterday added to pressure on the Goveminent to announce special industrial incentives for Port Talbot and Llanwern, where more than 12,000 jobs are being lost through British Steel Corporation cuts.

Mr Ian Kelsall, area director of the CBI, said Government delay was causing uncertainty and frustration in local industry. Large overseas-owned companies, which were vital to the affected areas, could choose to locate their plants elsewhere in Britain or in Europe.

Earlier this week, Mr Nicholas Edwards, Secretary of State for Wales, told a parliamentary select committee that additional aid for the run down areas would not be granted until every union at Llanwern had formally accepted the proposed cuts.

Although the largest union at the plant has accepted that 3,600 jobs must go, local leaders of some smaller unions are attempting to fight the proposals.

Any aid will be additional to the emergency £48m factory-building programme already announced by the Government.

Mr Kelsall, speaking in Swansea, called for an end to the four-month delay in the payment of regional development grants which the Government imposed last year.

Protests at ending of European anti-poverty programm[e]

By Pat Healy
Social Services Correspondent

Strong protests at the effective ending of the £10m European anti-poverty programme are being made to both Mr Roy Jenkins, President of the European Commission, and Mr Henk Vredeling, vice-president.

"The programme is the only recognizably human face of the EEC", Mr Lewis Donnelly, one of the British delegates to the European Social Community Action Programme (Escap), said last night.

"It had the support of people as far apart as the British Conservative MEPs and the Italian communists. It says something about where the priorities of Europe lie that it is being stopped."

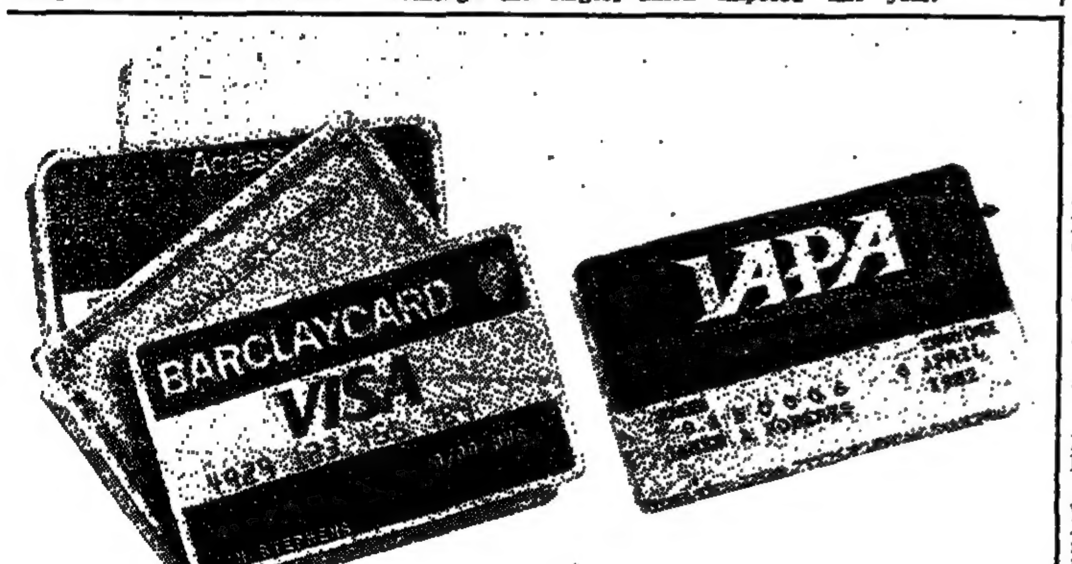
The protests began yesterdav when communiques from Brussels made clear the full implications of the decision on Monday night by the Council of Ministers to delay any further funding of the programme until a full evaluation of its findings is prepared.

That decision, on the initiative of German ministers, means that 21 pilot projects will end in November and there will be nothing to continue the momentum of the programme.

An Italiain proposal to send £3m on an interim programme for the next two years was rejected. That would have enabled existing projects to continue pending the evaluation.

In Britain those projects range from a tribunal representation unit in Wolverhampton, to area resource centres in Wales, Glasgow and London. Further cross-national studies on welfare rights and the housing, employment and social difficulties of inner-city areas could have been started.

The programme was designed to attempt a d[...] poverty and to fin[d ways] of alleviating it in [...]try. Studies have [...] considerable pover[ty] throughout Europ[e ...] the difficulties of [...] remarkably similar [...] The full evaluat[ion ...] work of the project[s ...] not due until [...] jeopardy since fu[nding will] end in November.



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Lord Kagan attacks British tax system in Paris court

From Arthur Osman
Paris, June 11

The Court of Appeal in Paris will announce on July 2 whether Lord Kagan is to be extradited to Britain. After a three-hour hearing today the three judges in the Chambre d'Accusation adjourned to examine the substantial file and lengthy submissions by the Advocate General's department and two defence lawyers.

The first 40 minutes of the hearing were taken up with a speech by Lord Kagan, devoted almost entirely to attacking the British taxation system, those who administer it and claiming that the Inland Revenue "were determined to silence me and put me out of action".

He claimed that at one stage when he was in England "it became obligatory for an officer of the Inland Revenue to attend every meeting I addressed" because he was so critical of the system. He said that runing an industry in England made him feel like a man running a church with an atheist management.

He continued: "I was offered and accepted gratefully a knighthood and a peerage because they gave me a platform to warn where our policies would lead."

He told the court: "I would like to say that the reason why I insisted on rejecting and resisting extradition is not fear. Anyone who has survived three years of the Gestapo and two years of the NKVD in Russia is not afraid of anything like prison. It is a protest about what happened, a healthy company has been pushed into the ground."

He said that when he was in England he was very active in criticizing the taxation system both in the House of Lords and outside. "I considered it to be the biggest single factor in the decline of the British economy", he added. "I suggested that they have achieved what Hitler did not by reducing Britain from the fourth biggest and strongest industrial power in 1954 to becoming the poor man of Europe."

Maitre Jean-Pierre Karsenty, Lord Kagan's lawyer, urged the court to reject the extradition request of the Director of Public Prosecutions on behalf of the Customs and Excise and Inland Revenue.

Shakespeare first folio price surprises dealers

Continued from page 1

pages, sold for £26,000 to Fleming. The poet records in his own hand that it was written at the age of 16; it is written in a script which imitates print, for Pope taught himself to write by copying printed books.

Arthur J. Houghton is one of the great American collectors. His collection of Keats and Shelley has already been donated to Harvard, as well as a library to house it.

Christie's began selling the remainder last year, and so far the collection has made £2,113,810.

A remarkable archive of Samuel Pepys's private correspondence and personal papers, covering the years 1679 to 1703, and comprising some 600 items, was yesterday's big money spinner at £100,000. It was bid for by Sotheby's manuscript expert, Roy Davids, a daring raid on the part of the rival firm. He would not comment on who his client might be but it was being suggested in the trade that he was buying for the British Rail Pension Funds.

A first edition of Milton's *Paradise Lost* went to Fleming at £38,000 (estimate £10,000 to £15,000); the first edition of Milton's "maske", *Comus*, was being considered as selling rather cheaply at £30,000 (estimate £20,00 0to £25,000).

An improvement on Shakespeare, *Dolarny's Primerose* by John Raynolds, published in 1606, a poem which evokes at length the drama of Hamlet, sold to Quaritch at £21,000 (estimate £4,000 to £6,000).

Weather forecast and recordings

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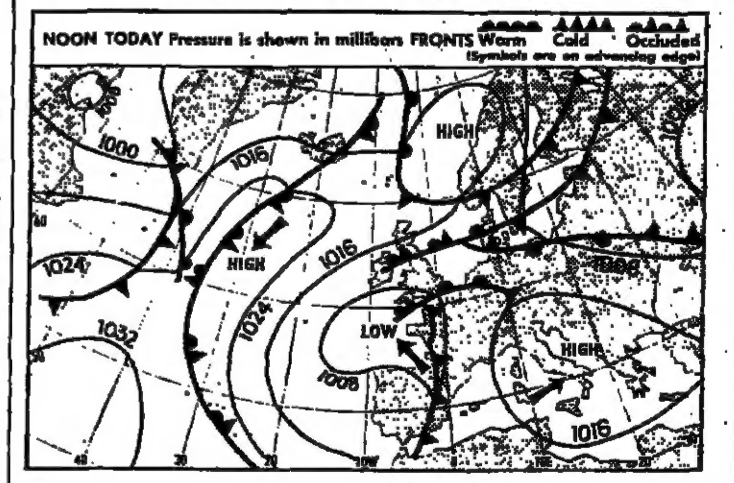

Today

Sun rises: 4.43 am
Sun sets: 9.18 pm
Moon rises: 4.51 am
Moon sets: 8.39 pm
New Moon: 9.38 pm.

Lighting up: 9.48 pm to 4.13 am. High Water: London Bridge, 1.55 am, 6.8m; 2.27 pm, 7.0m. Avonmouth, 7.36 am, 13.1m; 7.53 pm, 13.2m. Dover, 11.14 am, 6.4m; 11.33 pm, 6.6m. Hull, 6.25 am, 7.2m; 6.43 pm, 7.3m. Liverpool, 11.35 am, 9.3m; 11.59 pm, 9.3m. 1 ft=0.3048m 1m=3.2808 ft.

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight

Pressure will remain high to N but low to S Britain.

London, Midlands, S Wales: Dull at first, then sunny intervals and showers, heavy in places, more persistent by midnight; wind E light; max temp 19° to 21°C (66° to 70°F).

SE, central S and SW England: Sunny intervals and showers giving way to cloud and more general rain by evening; coastal fog patches, wind SE light; max temp 17° to 20°C (63° to 68°F).

East Anglia, E England: Remaining dull near coasts in patchy fog; sunny intervals and showers developing inland; wind SE light; max temp 17° to 20°C (63° to 68°F).

Channel Islands: Bright at first, rain by afternoon, wind E moderate veering SE; max temp 18°C (64°F).

N Wales, NW England, central N England: Occasional rain, some sunny intervals especially in S; wind E light; max temp 16° to 18°C (61° to 64°F).

Lake District, Isle of Man, NE England, Borders, SW Scotland, N Ireland: Mostly cloudy, rain in places; patchy fog; wind light; max temp 13° to 15°C (55° to 59°F).

Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Glasgow, Moray Firth: Mostly dry, bright intervals; wind NE, moderate; max temp 15° to 17°C (59° to 63°F).

Central Highlands, Argyll, NW Scotland: Dry, bright or sunny periods; wind NE, moderate; max temp 16° to 19°C (61° to 66°F).

NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Sunny intervals, light showers; wind E, light; max temp 11° to 13°C (52° to 55°F).

Outelook for Saturday: Mostly dry and bright in Scotland. Further periods of rain elsewhere.

Sea passages: S North Sea, Strait of Dover, English Channel (E): Wind SE, moderate; sea slight.

St George's Channel: Wind NE, light to moderate; sea slight.

Irish Sea: Wind NE, fresh, occasionally strong; sea moderate, locally rough.

Yesterday

London: Temp: max 7 am to 7 pm, 18°C (64°F); min 7 pm to 7 am, 13°C (55°F). Humidity, 7 pm, 67 per cent. Rain, 24 hr to 7 pm, 0.12 in. Sun, 24 hr to 7 pm, 0.5 hr. Bar, mean sea [level, 7 pm,] 1008.3 millibars, risin[g]. 1,000 millibars=29.53 [in].

Pollen count: The p[ollen count] yesterday issued in Lo[ndon by the] Asthma Research Cou[ncil ...] (low).

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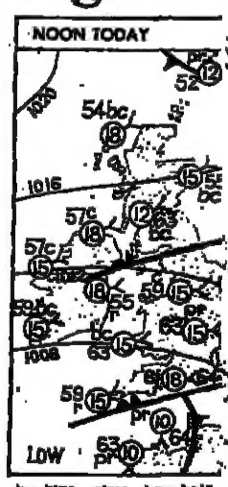

b—blue sky; bc—half cloudy; o—overcast; f—[fog;] h—hail; m—mist; r—r[ain;] th—thunderstorm; p—[...] periodical rain with snow

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun; th, thunder.

		C	F			C	F			C	F			C	F
Akrotiri	s	30	86	Cardiff	r	12	54	Jersey	f	16	61	Naples	s	22	72
Algiers	s	27	81	Cologne	f	21	70	L Palmas	f	22	72	Nice	s	21	70
Amsterdm	s	20	68	Copenhgn	s	25	77	Lisbon	c	19	66	Oslo	th	24	75
Athens	s	29	84	Dublin	r	11	52	Locarno	f	21	70	Paris	r	18	64
Barcelona	f	21	70	Edinburgh	c	15	59	London	c	17	63	Reykjavik	c	8	46
Beirut	s	26	79	Florence	f	21	70	Luxembrg	c	15	59	Rome	s	23	73
Belfast	r	15	59	Funchal	f	20	68	Madrid	c	25	77	Ronaldswy	r	12	54
Berlin	th	18	64	Geneva	s	21	70	Majorca	f	26	79	Stockholm	f	25	77
Biarritz	c	20	68	Gibraltar	f	24	75	Malaga	fog	19	66	Tel Aviv	s	26	79
Birmingham	d	11	51	Guernsey	f	15	59	Malta	s	26	79	Venice	f	21	70
Bristol	c	15	59	Helsinki	f	25	77	Manchestr	r	12	54	Vienna	f	23	73
Brussels	c	19	66	Innsbruck	f	22	72	Moscow	s	28	82	Warsaw	f	23	73
Budapest	c	22	72	Istanbul	f	31	88	Munich	f	20	68	Zurich	s	19	66

At the resorts

24 hours to 6 pm Ju[ne ...]

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max temp °C
E COAST			
Scarborough	—	.35	13
Bridlington	0.5	.02	14
Gorleston	1.4	.07	17
Clacton	3.4	.03	18
Margate	1.4	.06	18
S COAST			
Hastings	1.0	.02	16
Eastbourne	1.0	.03	16
Brighton	0.5	.01	15
Bognor	1.0	.05	15
Southsea	2.0	.21	17
Sandown	2.5	.54	17
Exmouth	—	.07	14
Falmouth	0.1	.03	16
W COAST			
Blackpool	—	.75	13
Anglesey	—	.14	14
Ilfracombe	—	.23	17
Newquay	0.5	.04	16

Overseas selling prices: Australia $2; Austria Sch [...]; Bahrain BD 0.600; Belgium B frs [...]; Canaries Pes 60; Cyprus 400 m[ils]; Denmark Dkr 5; Finland Fmk 5; F[rance ...]; Germany Dm 2.50; Gre[ece ...]; Holland Gl 2.25; Iran Rls [...]; Israel ID 0.450; Irish Republic [...]; Italy L900; Jordan JD 0.3[...]; Kuwait KD 0.500; Lebanon [...]; Luxembourg Lf 30; Madeira [...]; Malta 20c; Morocco Dir 6[...]; Norway Kr 5.00; Oman OR 0.6[...]; Pakistan Rps 10; Portugal Esc [...]; Qatar QR 6.00; Saudi Arabia [...]; Singapore $4.5; Spain Pes [...]; Sweden Skr 5.00; Switzerland Sfrs [...]; Syria LS 4.50; Tunisia Din [...]; Canada $1.50; UAE [...]; Yugoslavia Din 50.

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HOME NEWS

Two-tier D-notices system 'possible'

By Peter Hennessy

Sir Frank Cooper, Permanent Secretary to the Ministry of Defence and chairman of the Defence, Press and Broadcasting Committee disclosed yesterday that the committee will consider at its meeting on July 1 the possibility of reviewing the contents and secrecy of the 12D (or defence) notices it issues to the press urging it not to publish certain information on defence and intelligence matters.

Sir Frank was giving evidence to the first parliamentary inquiry into the D-notice system since its inception in 1912. In a Ministry of Defence memorandum to the Commons Select Committee on Defence, which is conducting the investigation into the system of voluntary self-censorship supervised by the joint press/Whitehall committee under Sir Frank, a first step towards greater disclosure was taken with the publication of the headings, if not the full contents, of the 12 notices.

Sir Frank told MPs that the Ministry of Defence wished the D-notice committee to remain in existence but a number of reforms was possible. He could not commit the committee, as its press members enjoyed a veto and were "quite argumentative", but he suggested it might be possible to operate a two-tier system whereby the main notices were published with only those containing genuinely sensitive material remaining confidential.

Under questioning, Sir Frank agreed that the D-notice system was "a uniquely British institution; it is all the better for that". He denied that the integrity of a journalist was impaired by serving on the committee.

"We have an exclusive monopoly in the security field. It makes a good deal of sense that journalists should sit down and discuss the modalities. I do not see that there is anything demeaning or wrong or pussy-footing about that", he added.

Asked how he would feel if he were a member of the press, Sir Frank said he found the idea of being a campaigning journalist appealing, and agreed that on occasion it would be "irritating" not to be able to say all he wanted to.

If the D-notice system went beyond issues of genuine national security, his sympathies would lie with the journalist for "if you go beyond that you are in the gerrymandering business".

Sir Frank said that for two years the D-notice committee had been considering change but had been hampered by uncertainty surrounding the Official Secrets Act. Waiting for the Act to be reformed, he said, was "like waiting for Godot".

Mr John Gilbert, Labour MP for Dudley, East, and acting chairman of the Commons committee, revealed that the bulk of press evidence to the committee was strongly, though not unanimously, for the status quo. Mr Fredy Fisher, of the *Financial Times*, had said that in eight years as editor not a single D-notice had crossed his desk. Sir Frank said he had no complaints about the coverage of defence in that newspaper.

Asked to cite recent examples of national security being placed in jeopardy by journalists' ignoring D-notices, Sir Frank said he would prefer to tell the committee in private, though there had not been "a great deal" of difficulty

The D-notice titles disclosed by Sir Frank are:

No 1: Defence plans, operational capability and state of readiness.
No 2: Classified military weapons, weapons systems and equipment.
No 3: Royal Navy, warship construction and naval equipment.
No 4: Aircraft and aero engines.
No 5: Nuclear weapons and equipment.
No 6: Photography.
No 7: Prisoners of war and evaders.
No 8: National defence, war precautions and civil defence.
No 9: Radio and radar transmissions.
No 10: British intelligence services.
No 11: Cyphers and communications.
No 12: Whereabouts of Mr and Mrs Vladimir Petrov.

Sir Frank Cooper: Britain is all the better for D-notices.

The end of years of wrangling and fund-raising

Manchester pride restored as date is set for reopening of Palace Theatre

From John Chartres
Manchester

The Palace Theatre, Manchester will reopen on March 13 next year, with a six-week season of a new version of *Jesus Christ Superstar*.

That announcement, made in the scaffold-littered auditorium yesterday, was of considerable significance not only to lovers of live lyric theatre but to civic-proud Mancunians who are laying great store on the theatre's reopening after many years of wrangling and the seeking of finance.

The statement was made by Mr Robert Scott, the administrator of the Palace Theatre Trust, after Sir John Tooley, General Administrator of the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, ceremonially prised aside a brick in the back wall of the original building to begin extension work. That will provide a clear performance area of 5,100 sq ft, the largest stage in the country apart from that of the Royal Opera House.

Sir John was assisted by Miss Siobhan McArthy, who is playing Mary Magdalene in the current London production and who will play the same role in Manchester.

The production will be followed by a month-long visit from the full Royal Opera company of three hundred, including leading international singers under the musical director Sir Colin Davies.

The raising of enough money —about £3m—represented the culmination of nearly three years of efforts by individuals with the support of the City of Manchester, Greater Manchester and the Arts Council. At one stage the future of the Palace and Manchester's other main theatre, the Opera House, hung in the balance.

Under the imaginative building scheme evolved by the Trust, founded early in 1978, office buildings nearby and an adjoining public house have been acquired. These will be combined to provide the deep stage with 84 ft of wing space, and dressing room accommodation for 150.

One of the biggest single contributions to the financing has been provided by Mr Raymond Slater, of the Civil Engineering firm Norwest Holst, who provided funds to buy the building in its original state. The Palace is already regarded as a natural second home for both the Royal Opera and the Royal Ballet. Mr Scott emphasized that although it was essentially being "built for music" the larger more spectacular forms of drama would also have a place.

But he did not see it playing a rôle in experimental theatre; that was already filled by the Manchester Exchange Theatre.

Opportunities would be provided for the many and noted Northern amateur operatic and dramatic societies which had a "noble tradition" in the region.

Mr Scarg[illegible] backed for NUM presidenc[illegible]

From Ronald Faux
Rothesay

Scottish miners declared their backing [illegible] Arthur Scargill, the [illegible] miners' leader, to be president of the Natio[illegible] of Mineworkers.

Mr Michael McGa[illegible] tish president, told del[illegible] the annual conferenc[illegible] NUM Scottish area in [illegible] that it was in the best [illegible] of British miners that [illegible] gill should be the p[illegible] candidate in the ele[illegible] president in 18 month[illegible]

He said he expected [illegible] paign would require h[illegible] in the face of vicious c[illegible] from the media who [illegible] Mr Scargill because o[illegible] gressive views. Mr [illegible] said he was making [illegible] stand because he felt [illegible] forces which did not [illegible] the best interests of t[illegible] would receive "rea[illegible] support.

That open declaratio[illegible] Scargill was added to [illegible] ing ovation for the [illegible] president after he addr[illegible] conference. He said [illegible] willing, privileged and [illegible] be the progressive ca[illegible] the election for union [illegible]

"But I want to s[illegible] firmly that if the [illegible] becoming president of [illegible] is to compromise m[illegible] make myself more acc[illegible] the media or to acc[illegible] the so-called moderate [illegible] in British politics. th[illegible] job I do not want", b[illegible] am convinced it wil[illegible] policies and records r[illegible] the individuals and [illegible] look and sound w[illegible] decide who should be [illegible] of this union".

Mr Scargill pledge[illegible] to protect the minin[illegible] inties from pit closu[illegible] where pits were exha[illegible] would also fight for [illegible] week for miners, reti[illegible] 55 and the highest [illegible] wages in the industr[illegible]

"That is the kind [illegible] form you would exp[illegible] future president of th[illegible] he said.

Mr McGahey said [illegible] paign fo rthe preside[illegible] be open, clean and [illegible] on a basis of policie[illegible] will be no skulldugg[illegible]

He told the dele[illegible] threat of pit closure [illegible] turned and all-forwa[illegible] forces recognized th[illegible] danger of an energy [illegible]

The fight aroun d [illegible] Wales coalfield was [illegible] issue and the natio[illegible] tive committee had [illegible] full support to all [illegible] action necessary to p[illegible] industry from being r[illegible]

Mr McGahey said t[illegible] ment had viciously [illegible] spel and coal; the [illegible] investment in industr[illegible] manufactured in Brit[illegible] lead to de-industrial[illegible] the country and incr[illegible] employment.

Britain required a[illegible] coal industry, not for [illegible] needs of the future, [illegible] as the basis of pet[illegible] industries.

Research had shown [illegible] tain had the capacity. [illegible] nologists and the abil[illegible] the lead in this field.

Trust set up to save Scottish orchestra

By Martin Huckerby
Music Reporter

A trust to preserve the BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra was established at a meeting in East Kilbride, Strathclyde, yesterday, with Sir Monty Finniston, the former chairman of British Steel, as one of the members.

The aim is to raise funds from local authorities and businesses to support the orchestra. Members of the trust acknowledge the size of the task: one estimate suggests that it will cost £940,000 a year to maintain a 69-strong orchestra on an independent basis, and only about £300,000 would be available as income

The trust will also press the BBC to give it more time to seek money by postponing the disbandment of the orchestra.

Other members of the trust include Mr Alan Marmion, director of the MacRobert Arts Centre at Stirling, Mr Derek Jewell, publishing director of Times Newspapers Ltd, and a representative of East Kilbride District Council.

A separate action committee is fighting for the retention of the orchestra by the BBC, and the players are on strike as part of the Musicians' Union action which seeks the reinstatement of all five of the threatened BBC orchestras.

The BBC said yesterday that because of the strike, it had been forced to cancel four programmes on Radio 3, including a broadcast of Verdi's *Simon Boccanegra* from the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden.

Cheque stub leads to break-up of drug ring

From Our Correspondent
Reading

A cheque stub helped customs officers to break up an Arab-run drug ring that was peddling large amounts of cocaine to wealthy people, it was disclosed at Reading Crown Court yesterday.

The cheque stub, found in the pocket of a Lebanese businessman, formed the vital link between the biggest seizure of cocaine in Britain and the ring, wealthy Arab organizers.

Customs investigators have uncovered an operation run by crime syndicates in South America, with backing from the Middle East, it was stated.

Yesterday at Reading Crown Court, Hani Taan, aged 45, a businessman, was jailed for 12 years by Judge Blomefield after being found guilty of organizing the drug run into Heathrow airport, London.

Midway through the trial Isaac Saba, aged 49, an Arab merchant, and Salem Abu-Romi, aged 38, a tailor who was born in Jordan, changed their pleas to guilty and admitted acting as couriers. They were both jailed for six years.

The court was told how a routine customs search revealed 16.34 kilos of cocaine worth £2½m hidden in false bottoms of four suitcases carried by Mr Saba and Mr Abu-Romi.

A week later they noticed Mr Taan on the same route—from Bolivia to Brazil and on to Britain and Damascus, in Syria

The cheque stub found in Mr Taan's pocket was said to have showed an amount exactly equal to the cost of two tickets used by the other two men.

Flood after the drought in north Devon

Property owners in north Devon cleared up yesterday after a violent thunderstorm in the wake of prolonged drought caused flash floods.

Water up to four feet deep flooded one hotel in Bideford and teams of firemen had to pump water from the town's Torridge District Hospital, and from houses and shops.

The A39 road was blocked for an hour after drains overflowed, blowing a manhole cover several feet in the air

Three unions tell nurses pay deal is fair

By Annabel Ferriman
Health Services Correspondent

Britain's 460,000 nurses will be asked in the next three weeks to approve details of a 14 per cent pay package drawn up at the Nurses and Midwives Whitley Council on Tuesday.

The main nursing unions, the Royal College of Nursing, the Confederation of Health Service Employees (Cohse) and the National Union of Public Employees (Nupe), will sound their members through their branches and area centres.

All three consider the package was the fairest that could be achieved in the Government's cash limits. It offers 13 per cent to all grades and redistributes the additional 1 per cent among those at the bottom and top ends of the scales.

A national executive committee meeting of Cohse will consider the package on Sunday before the start of the union's annual conference. It will decide whether to recommend a ballot of all members or to leave it to delegates.

Mr David Williams, chairman of the staff side of the Whitley Council and assistant general secretary of Cohse, said yesterday that it was premature to talk about a settlement.

"It will be up to our members to decide. They know that to reject the offer will lead them into a headlong clash with the Government."

None of the unions is required by its rules to ballot its membership. All expect to have a response from their members in time for the next meeting of the Whitley Council on July 8.

The only union which has rejected the offer is the National and Local Government Officers Association (Nalgo) which represents 40,000 nurses.

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Anti-missile protesters to join rally

By a Staff Reporter

East Anglian protesters against the stationing of nuclear missiles in their area will bring their fight to London this month.

They will join a march and rally to be organized by the Labour Party in London on June 22. The party hopes it will be the largest anti-nuclear demonstration since the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament marches of the 1960s.

Mr Michael Foot, Labour's deputy leader, will be among the speakers at the Hyde Park rally. They will be protesting about the proposed stationing of American cruise missiles in Britain and against any increase in arms expenditure.

Word 'race' not defined in Act, judge s[illegible]

From Our Correspondent
Birmingham

The word "race" is not defined in the Race Relations Act, Judge Gosling said at Birmingham County Court yesterday.

Race was used as one of the categories in defining a racial group but the Act did not elaborate on what that meant, he added.

He made his remarks in a resumed case under the Race Relations Act against a private school which is alleged to have discriminated against a Sikh boy aged 13 by refusing him entry unless he removed his turban.

"If this case is going to turn on definition of words and the Act does not define those words, one of the places we have to look is the dictionary", the judge continued.

The court had been told that the Act defined a racial group as distinguished by colour, nationality, race and ethnic origin. The judge also made the observation that ethnic origin goes undefined in the Act.

Mr Interjit Singh, editor of the *Sikh Courier*, said he regarded Sikhs as members of a racial group who would regard it as an insult to be asked to remove their turbans.

He added: "As long as people regard themselves as a group and importantly, are identified as a group by others, then they are an ethnic group."

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Homes damaged in another Stoke tremor

From Our Correspondent
Stoke-on-Trent

Houses were damaged when another earth tremor affected Stoke-on-Trent yesterday. Two had to be temporarily evacuated because of dangerous chimney stacks.

Police said they had calls from dozens of anxious householders in the northern part of the city. It was the latest in a series of tremors this year. Three years ago there were more than 100 tremors, and the cause has never been established.

The Coal Board said mining was going on under the area but miners at the coal face early yesterday had not experienced any tremor. "There is nothing to indicate mining is the sole cause of the tremors."

Former London Transp[illegible] chief cleared of charge

Raymond Angell, aged 55, the former head of London Transport's quantity surveying department, was cleared at Horseferry Road magistrates' court, London, yesterday of false accounting.

Mr Angell of Southbourne Sands, Southbourne, Bournemouth, who resigned after 26 years with London Transport, was discharged and awarded his full costs out of central funds.

He had been arrested last October and charged with making a false entry on a bill of quantity between September, 1977, and December, 1978, purporting to show that part of the forecourt at Edgware Tube station had been tarred.

Mr David Fairbairn, the magistrate, was told that the DPP had recently taken the case over from British [illegible] Police and had de[illegible] withdraw the charge [illegible] court's direction las[illegible] that the prosecution [illegible] be granted a further [illegible]

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Call for flexibility in aiding regions

From Ronald Kershaw
Leeds

A call for flexibility in the wording of provisions that enable regions to obtain financial assistance even though they are outside regional development programmes and will no longer qualify as "assisted areas" has gone to the Prime Minister from West Yorkshire County Council.

The council's principal concern is the wool textile areas of West Yorkshire, where 1,500 jobs ar lost every month.

Mr J. R. Moore, leader of the council, has asked Mrs Margaret Thatcher that "any financial mechanism under article 235 of the Treaty of Rome which provides supplementary payments to the United Kingdom should be as flexible as possible".

He said that in the European Commission's proposals to the European Council special investment programmes could be developed in the first instance within regions covered by regional development programmes, but there would be other schemes of community interest outside those regions that might also receive assistance.

The county council wants provisions to be liberal enough to enable economic and social infrastructure schemes [illegible] Yorkshire to gain a [illegible] even after 1982, when [illegible] the West Yorkshire [illegible] loses its assisted area s[illegible]

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as "C of E" are overwhelmingly against it, and the 8 per cent of those who go to church are about evenly divided. Professor Martin, maintains that proves the case for retaining the hallowed seventeenth-century Book of Common Prayer as the normal form of Anglican worship, and resisting the new official versions which are about to be published in book form.

He is a leading compaigner on behalf of the Book of Common Prayer, and was behind the petition of literary cognoscenti published last autumn, which complained that the eclipse of such a masterpiece of English language would be a permanent loss to the English cultural heritage.

The Church of England is about to have a new prayer book, with every part of its formal worship rewritten in modern ecumenical prose. Most of the new services have been in use in approximately the same form for a decade or more.

But the powerful conservative lobby on behalf of the Book of Common Prayer sees the publication of a bound volume of the new services as the greatest threat yet. Until now the new perimental status services have had only an ex-

In spite of that, and because of the "with-it" fervour of "trendy" clergymen, as the Prayer Book Society sees it, the new has almost wholly taken over from the old.

That is clearly contrary to the wishes of substantial sections of the church-going population, and it appears that young people and working-class people—two groups for whom it is said the new versions were especially tailored—are no happier than the rest.

Perhaps most telling of all the statistics produced by the Gallup survey is one that shows that only 7 per cent of regular church-goers describe themselves as "very happy" with the new services; and only 3 per cent of those between the ages of 16 and 24.

Those "more than regular" in their religious observance, who attend church once a week were divided equally, with 18 per cent very happy, 18 per cent very unhappy, and the rest in between.

Professor Martin said at a press conference yesterday that he hoped the survey would help to persuade the clergy how little support there was for the new services, and that the wishes of congregations would therefore be taken more fully into account in deciding whether to use the new or the old.

He had particular hopes of the joint pastoral letter which the Archbishops of Canterbury and York were to issue later this year. He had been told they would refer to the new prayer book merely as a supplement to the old, not a replacement.

The trend of opinion in the Church of England, if accurately reflected in the survey results, shows a level of dislike of the new service which constitutes something of a threat to the size of the active Church of England population.

Professor Martin, a sociologist of religion maintains that if the level of satisfaction experienced as a result of going to church falls, congregations will inevitably decline.

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Non-travelling fencers: Captain Timothy Belson, of the The Gloucestershire Regiment (left), and Mr Ralph Johnson, a solicitor, who have withdrawn from the British fencing team for the Olympics, pausing during practice at the London Fencing Club, Kensington, yesterday.

MP presents Bill urging sanctions on Soviet Union

By Ian Bradley

A Conservative MP yesterday presented a Bill to the House of Commons to enable the Government to impose economic sanctions against the Soviet Union.

Mr Patrick Cormack, MP for Staffordshire South West, said that he had based his Soviet Union (Temporary Powers) Bill on the Act recently passed imposing economic sanctions on Iran.

"It seems absurb that we should be prepared to impose sanctions against Iran and not contemplate a similar measure against the Soviet Union", he said.

If Parliament passed the measure, it would then be right to consider preventing British people travelling to the Soviet Union. "We would then not have the ghastly and humiliating spectacle of British athletes being the guests of the butchers of Kabul", he said.

The Government's regret at the attitude of the British Olympic Association towards the Moscow Games was reiterated yesterday by Mr Hector Monro, minister with responsibility for sport. Speaking to the sport and leisure committee of the Association of District Council in London, he said: "The association can be in no doubt that we are not in favour of a British team competing in the Soviet Union against a background of brutal subjugation and harsh aggression in Afghanistan by Russian troops".

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Publicans blamed for starting some violence

By Lucy Hodges

Publicans have been complaining a lot lately about thugs in public houses; but they play a part in starting violent incidents themselves a survey published today states.

Many of those interviewed said, frankly, that they had drink problems, according to the report which appears in this week's *New Society*.

It was not unusual for them to drink 15 pints of beer or a bottle of spirits a day, Mr Peter Marsh, a lecturer in psychology at Oxford Polytechnic states. "At 11 pm on Saturday, that amount of alcohol in your system is not going to be very helpful when you are trying patiently to empty your pub of often tiresome and argumentative people."

The survey, which was paid for by Whitbread, the brewers, took two years and involved a questionnaire completed by 2,000 licensees. It found that, on the whole, licensed premises were extremely safe places where, according to the law of averages, a customer would see only one fight in about eight years if he spent a couple of hours there every day.

Violence is more common in certain types of bar, notably the inner-city public house that attracts young people who are not regular customers, and that provides live pop music and pool tables.

Mr Marsh, who carried out the research with Miss Anne Campbell, monitored "incident report forms"—documents which licensees complete for the brewery when there is a disturbance to which the police have to be called. It was those which revealed that few of the assaulted landlords were victims of random or gratuitous violence.

"In over 85 per cent of cases, publicans suffered injury as a direct result of some action which they themselves had initiated."

Appeal for tariff-free cod imports

By John Winder
Parliamentary Staff

Tariff barriers and reference prices drove up the price for fish paid by the housewife, a House of Lords select committee was told yesterday. It was wrong, short-sighted and potentially economically disastrous for Britain to protect its fishermen by making imports harder to get by trade restrictions.

Mr David Wellings, chairman of the United Kingdom Association of Frozen Food Producers, giving evidence to a sub-committee of the Select Committee on European Communities, explained that Britons are between 260,000 and 270,000 tonnes of cod a year. They needed, even with a healthy catching industry, to import 100,000 tonnes to help meet that demand.

Mr Wellings said that the 9 per cent tariff on cod coming into Britain from outside the EEC should go. The reference price created by the EEC could also become a minimum price for the entry of imported fish if the Government so decided. Both artificially raised the price to the trade and the consumer.

He said that fish consumption had been declining in Britain. It was difficult to pinpoint the reason but it had been shown that for every 1 per cent rise in price, 7 per cent of sales was lost. In comparison the cost of meat rising by 1 per cent only led to a drop of 0.38 per cent in consumption, and a 1 per cent rise in the cost of eggs led to no fall in consumption.

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Bottom were Grampian, Tayside, East Sussex, Dorset, Cornwall, Central Scotland, Dyfed, Derbyshire, Northumberland, Norfolk, Dumfries and Galloway and North Yorkshire.

Fire raising was worst in urban areas, and precautions should include buildings designed and sited so that they were overlooked by the public. Easy access by low, flat roofs, walls, external pipes, or excess use of glass, should be avoided.

Stronger penalties against fire raisers did not necessarily work as a deterrent. "Deterrent solutions are of limited value as very few vandals are caught, not surprisingly given that damage can be committed almost anywhere, in an instant and when nobody is about", the report says.

Report of the Home Office Working Party on Fires caused by Vandalism. Home Office.

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Man remanded on schoolgirl murder charge

Kenneth David Kirton, aged 35, a painter and decorator, was remanded in custody at Farnham Magistrates' Court, Surrey, yesterday charged with the murder of Clare Hutchison, aged 14. Mr Kirton, of Parkhurst Fields, Churt, near Farnham, was remanded until next Wednesday.

Mr Kirton was driven to the court from Farnham police station in a police car. He had a blanket over his head as he left the police station and went into the court. Reporting restrictions were not lifted.

The girl's body was found early on Tuesday in Bourne Wood, Old Frensham Road, Farnham. She had been missing for six days after disappearing on her way to school.

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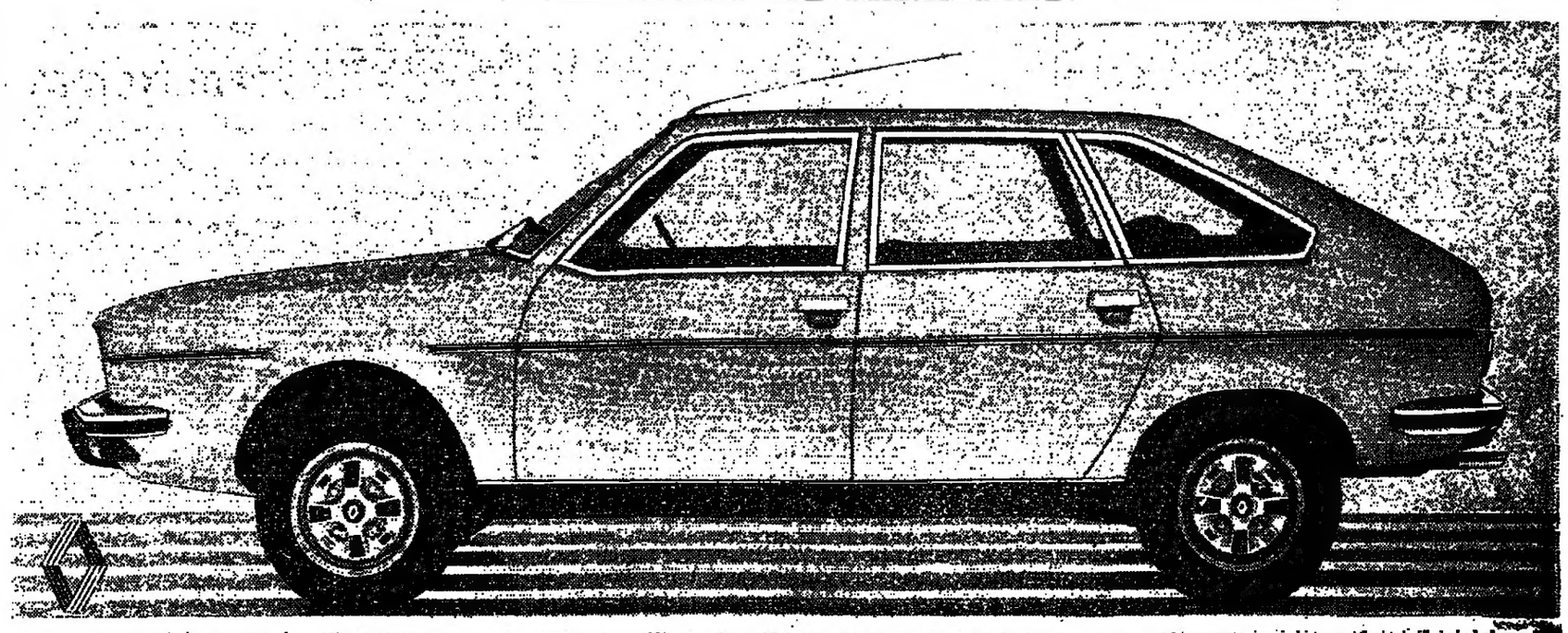

HOME NEWS

New pay and conditions body urged for teachers

By Diana Geddes
Education Correspondent

A single negotiating body for teacher's pay and conditions of service is strongly recommended in a report by officials of the Department of Education and Sciences and of the local authority associations. The report is expected to be sent to education ministers within the next fortnight.

Local authorities are unhappy with the present arrangements which keep negotiations on teachers' pay separate from negotiations on other conditions of service.

The recent attempt by local authorities to tie agreement on a new definition of a teacher's working day with the pay award recommended by the Clegg commission failed, causing much bitterness

The report comments: "Quite apart from the obvious fact that employers need to know what they are paying for, developments since the Houghton report, and particularly in relation to the Clegg report, have shown how present arrangements allow the teachers to receive large pay rises without having to concede the definition, let alone the toughening of their conditions of service."

Councils also object strongly to the provision in the Remuneration of Teachers Act, 1965 which, in the event of a stalemate, allows either side to go to arbitration on pay, and makes arbitration awards binding, subject only to a contrary resolution by both Houses of Parliament "in the national economic interest".

That provision often works to the disadvantage of the employers, local authorities believe. They feel that the unions have adopted an increasingly intransigent attitude in the Burnham Committee, the statutory negotiating body on teachers' and lecturers' pay.

Councils want the outright repeal of the Remuneration of Teachers Act and the negotiation of teachers' pay in a non-statutory national body which would also be responsible for all other aspects of conditions of service. There would be negotiated provisions for arbitration.

That is one of the options put forward in the report for consideration by ministers and local authority leaders. The other main option proposed in the report would involve the amendment of the Remuneration of Teachers Act to combine conditions and pay under a single statutory framework.

Both options leave open the delicate issue of ministry participation. At present, the Department of Education and Science is represented on the Burnham Committee and has the power to veto the total cost of a pay increase submitted by local authorities. But the department has no say in negotiations on conditions of service.

Arthur Askey (second right), who was 80 last Friday, receiving a belated birthday cake from fellow entertainers (left to right): Ray Alan, Dickie Henderson and June Whitfield at Broadcasting House.

Juvenile crime rise disturbs police chief

By John Witherow

Crime in British cities would soon be as bad as in the United States unless rising juvenile delinquency was stopped, Mr Ian Oliver, Chief Constable of Central Scotland Police, saiy yesterday.

He told a meting in Birmingham on the prevention of juvenile crime: "The writing is very clearly on the wall. Sooner or later, unless we take action, inner cities will be every bit as bad as New York or Chicago."

Mr Oliver, who worked for 16 years in London, said "juvenile crime is very much on the up and up." More than half the crimes in Britain were commited by people aged under 21, with many of them younger than 17, he said.

The riots in Bristol and Lewisham, London, he said, were "bound to come to pass elsewhere unless we invest a great deal of time and money to make sure they do not happen again".

Mr Oliver, however, was pessimistic about stemming the rising juvenile crime rate. "The social srvices cannot begin to cope with juvenile offenders. I am not sure there is an alternative. I am not sure we have the resources available.

"We are going downhill rather than up and it needs a conscious effort on the part of society to make sure we do not go the same way as America."

Mr Oliver also condemned a minority of state school teachers for spreading "seeds of disaster" and the Communist Party in particular for disseminating its views by planting teachers in schools.

He attacked teachers who taught their pupils that "all coppers are bastards" and who gave left-wing literature to impressionable young people.

Mr Terence Casey, general secretary of the National Association of Schoolmasters and the Union of Women Teachers, which organized the seminar, proposed outward bound type of schools for young children who looked as though they might become offenders.

He suggested that those establishments coud take potentially troublesome children for between three and six months before they entered secondary schools to allow them to win some self-respect and achieve a measure of success.

"Most of these children are failures at school and school can become positively harmful for them. We are asking for a catastrophe if an 11-year-old is forced into secondary education with the wrong attitude."

Rigorous, outdoor establishments could provide challenges for the children to enable them to channel their selfish energy into self-respect, he said.

The scheme, which might cost £750,000 on an experimental basis for a few years, could be financed by private industry and aided by local authorities.

"Special measures must be taken in the worst affected schools to avert complete collapse," he said. "Unless we find some sort of answer, the anti-social disruptives will undoubtedly turn to serious crime and vent their frustrations on society."

Government accused of herbicide cover-up

By Pearce Wright
Science Editor

A Labour MP has accused the Government of issuing a low figure for the sale of a toxic chemical herbicide to "defuse" the controversy about the dangers of contamination from the substance, known as 2, 4, 5—T.

The herbicide, a compound of trichlorophenoxyaceric acid, has been the subject of controversy because it contains trace amounts of dioxin.

The Ministry of Agriculture confirmed yesterday that the British agrochemicals industry sold 58 tonnes of the herbicide in 1979 and that was difficult to reconcile with earlier figures from the ministry's committee monitoring the safety of pesticides. Only three tonnes of the material was used in Britain each year, according to the earlier figures.

The discrepancy was raised by Dr Roger Thomas, Labour MP for Carmarthen, in a letter to the Minister of Agriculture. He alleged that the conclusions of the Royal Commission on Environmental Pollution were modified because it believed the amount of 2, 4, 5-T used in B ritain was low.

The figures used in the commission's assessment showed that forestry, agriculture and horticulture each used one tonne of the substance each year, against an annual total in the United States of about 3,000 tonnes.

The whereabouts of about 50 tonnes of 2, 4, 5—T sold in Britain each year for the past few years remains a subject of speculation.

Doubts about the figure of three tonnes were expressed by the opponents of the substance, and that led the Ministry of Agriculture to make a more thorough survey, in conjunction with the British Agrochemicals Association. That showed sales of 58 tonnes by its members last year and comparable amounts in the preceding years.

The herbicide is no longer made in Britain. The main hazards from the compound are in the tiny amount of dioxin material, an intermediate chemical of the manufacturing process, that remains as an impurity.

Because of the toxicity of dioxin, union representatives of forestry and farm workers have sought a ban on the application of the herbicide

'Bargain struck over Mr X letters'

A college lecturer, aged 63, and a woman pupil 28 years his junior "struck a bargain" over the return of 150 letters, a jury at Exeter Crown Court was told yesterday. She agreed to return the passionate love letters he had written if he paid her £10,000.

Mrs Jeanne Ellett, aged 36, said: "I regarded it as one would regard winning the football pools, it would be nice if it happened but I never could believe it."

Mrs Ellett, described by the Crown as a cold-blooded blackmailer, agreed that she later dropped the amount by £2,000, but denied threatening to show the letters to the man's family if he failed to pay.

Mrs Ellett, of West Field Close, Comeytrowe Lane, Taunton, Somerset, told the jury that the bargain she struck with Mr X contained three options: She would be left £10,000 in his will on condition she left her husband and lived in a flat; she would be given the royalties from one of his books, again if she left her husband; or she would be given £10,000 to return his letters.

She said: "I came down to one of the options, the most attractive was to receive £10,000 and to hand over the letters."

Mrs Ellett has pleaded not guilty to demanding £8,000 with menaces from Mr X on December 7, 1978.

Mr X, an author and retired policeman, was given recording equipment by the police in an attempt to trap his alleged blackmailer during a car journey, but died from a heart attack and the vehicle crashed into a wall.

The recording equipment, with the tape still running, picked up the sounds of Mr X dying before the car crashed.

Mrs Ellett had allegedly told the police she believed Mr X was "playing to the gallery" during the journey.

Earlier, Mrs Ellett told the court that Mr X inundated her with letters of sexual fantasy and frequently threatened to kill himself if she refused to see him. She said theirs was a father and daughter relationship and they never had sexual intercourse.

The trial continues today.

Two water areas will test domestic meter scheme

By John Young
Planning Reporter

The Severn-Trent and Anglian water authorities are to introduce water meters for domestic consumers as an experiment.

Two pilot areas, yet to be named, are to be selected within the Severn-Trent region, is the largest in England. People in those areas will be offered meters and, depending on their response, the scheme may be extended to all the authority's customers as early as April, 1982.

The four million Anglian customers will be required to pay an installation charge of £70 and an annual rental of £25. Water will cost them £1.06 for 1,000 gallons.

Both authorities say that the schemes are aimed primarily at those who believe they are paying more than their fair share under the present system, whereby charges are directly related to ratable values. But an Anglia official emphasized yesterday that only households with exceptionally low water consumption could expect to benefit.

The Government is conscious of public indignation at the steep increases in water rates in the past few years. At the same time it is anxious to curb the steady rise in domestic consumption, and to make people more conscious of the need to conserve supplies.

However, it is scepitical about the practicability of introducing compulsory metering. The cost would, it is said, be about £1,500m and presumably, if meters were made compulsory, pected to pay for their install- consumers could not be ex- ation.

Humanists win campaign for charitable status

By Jacob Ecclestone

The South Place Ethical Society, owners of the Conway Hall, London, yesterday won their 14-year campaign to regain the charitable status they lost as a consequence of the 1960 Charities Act. The society's claim to be a religious organization was rejected in the High Court, however; a decision likely to be greeted with relief by some humanists.

In finding against the religious aspects of the claim, Mr Justice Dillon, sitting in the Chancery Division, followed precedents involving Scientology, Freemasonry and Theosophy. He declined to follow Western European and United States judgments that ethical humanism was equivalent to a religion and thus was entitled to equal privileges.

But he decided to grant charitable status on the grounds that the society had a considerable educational function and that it was generally beneficial to society as a whole—two of the four tests for charitable status laid down by Lord Macnaghten at the end of last century.

Mr Peter Cadogen secretary of the society, welcomed the decision. "We have got what we wanted. I am very pleased about our success though sorry we did not get it on the grounds we wanted it on. I had hoped the law might recognize that the religious situation had changed in the last hundred years".

The decision means that the society will not have to pay corporation tax, estimated at £6,000 this ear, and that rates on the Conway Hall will be halved from £10,000 a year to £5,000. Mr Cadogan estimated the costs at £25,000.

Mr Nicolas Walter, editor of the *New Humanist*, said: "We naturally welcome the restoration to the South Place Ethical Society of the charitable status it was deprived of 14 years ago, and we particularly welcome the decision that it is not a religious but an educational and generally beneficial charity; but we should like to see the law changed so that all humanist organizations could have the same legal status as all religious orgnizations.".

The pplication for charitable status had been regarded by some as an opportunity for a judicial interpretation which could widen the traditional view of what is religion. In the event, Mr Justice Dillon decided that "religions are concerned with man's relations with God and ethics are concerned with man's relations with man".

He went on: "The two are not the same and are not made the same by a sincere inquiry into the question of what is God. If reason leads people not to accept Christianity but they do believe in qualities like truth, beauty and love, their beliefs may be to them the equivalent of religion but, viewed objectively, they are not religions".

Foreign housing should be studied, Duke says

By Our Planning Reporter

Britain might usefully examine the experience of other countries in seeking solutions to its housing difficulties, the Duke of Edinburgh said yesterday.

The Duke, who was addressing the annual conference of the Institute of Housing, in Harrogate, said that high divorce and suicide rates, crime, vandalism, alcoholism and drug abuse were symptoms of an unhappy community, as likely to be found on new estates as in derelict areas. Were there common denominators in unsatisfactory housing developments in Britain and abroad, he asked.

Mr Anthony Collinson, the institute's president, said that a main cause of Britain's trouble was a low-rent philosophy. As long ago as 1970, people in France were devoting 12½ per cent of their household income to housing, and in Germany the figure was 16 per cent.

"Yet only last year it was stated in the Commons that the percentage of household income applied to rents by local was as low as 7½ per cent."

Body found in pond

Police yesterday recovered the body of Mr Alan Greenfield, aged 29, of Woodseats, Sheffield, from a fishing pond in the city.

Riding for disabled

A riding school costing £25,000 for the use of the disabled is to be opened by the Calvert Trust adventure centre at Keswick, in the Lake District, next month.

WEST EUROPE

Europe's Middle East peace initiative to crown Venice summit

From Michael Hornsby
Venice, June 11

The formal unveiling of a new EEC peace policy for the Middle East will be the main outcome of the two-day summit meeting of the Nine which opens here tomorrow on the island of San Giorgio Maggiore looking across the Grand Canal to the Doge's Palace.

Mrs Margaret Thatcher and her colleagues, protected by thousands of Italian ploce and frogmen, are also expected to discuss the financial crisis threatened by soaring agricultural costs and the enlargement of the Community to include Spain, Greece and Portugal.

Last month's compromise on the level of British contributions to the EEC budget has removed the most damaging dispute hanging over the financial restraints the Community will be operating under over the next two or three years.

On the Middle East, the heads of government are expected to say publicly for the first time that the Palestin Libration Organization (PLO) should be involved in the peace negotiations, but to stop short of recognizing the PLO as the sole representatives of the Palestinians.

While reaffirming Israel's right to live within secure and recognized borders, the Nine, according to informed sources, will also endorse the concept of Palestinian self-determination "within the framework of a comprehensive Middle East peace settlement".

Previous statements by the Nine have avoided specific reference to "self-determination", which since the time of the Treaty of Versailles has been regarded as the attribute of an independent state. But they have recognized "the need for a homeland" for the Palestinians.

The heads of government are also likely to announce the dispatch of an emissary to all the parties concerned in the Middle East conflict, probably in the shape of Mr Gaston Thorn, the Foreign Minister of Luxembourg, who assumes the EEC presidency on July 1.

The EEC initiative is less ambitious than originally conceived, largely because of cern that nothing should be done to undermine the talks on Palestinian autonomy being conducted fitfully by Egypt and Israel under the aegis of the Camp David accords.

The Nine have shelved for the time being the idea, first floated by Lord Carrington, the British Foreign Secretary, of an EEC-sponsored move to amend United Nations Resolution No 242. This refers to the Palestinians only as stateless refugees, and has long been held by the Arabs to be inadequate.

When discussidons turns to the EEC's own future President Giscard d'Estaing of France is likely to be questioned closely on the meaning of his recent remarks suggesting that further enlargement of the EEC should be postponed until the previous intake of new members has been fully digested.

Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West German Chancellor, whose country has now replaced Britain as by far the biggest net contributer to the EEC budget, is expected to urge the need for reform of the EEC spending policies before any increase in the Community's revenue sources is contemplated.

Both Herr Schmidt and President Giscard may also elaborate on their ideas for a new budgetary mechanism which would put a limit on the net benefits, as well as the net losses, sustained by member states on their payments to and from the budget.

Any such move would, however, be fiercely opposed by the Danes, the Dutch and the Irish, all of whom make a huge financial gain from the budget, mainly because of the predominance of agricultural expenditure from which they benefit disproportionately.

For her part Mrs Thatcher will seek to focus discussion on the need for budget "restrucuring", which is EEC jargon for reducing the two-thirds proportion currently spent on farming. She hopes she can count on Hert Schmidt's support now that West Germany will be bearing the largest share of increases in agricultural spending.

Heads of government are also expected to exchange ideas on the choice of a successor to Mr Roy Jenkins as president of the European Commission when his term expires at the end of the year. Mr Gaston Thorn and Signor Filippo Pandolfi, the Italian Treasury Minister, are generally regarde das the front-runners for the job.

For their part the heads of government will make their usual survey of the global economic situation, including the problem of oil supplies and relations with developing countries, and will prepare for the seven-nation world economic summit to open here in 10 days time.

World View — by Arrigo

EEC must choose one of two paths

If one considers that just a few weeks ago the European Community was quite near total collapse, much more so than Mrs Thatcher and many others ever realized, the first feeling about the Venice European Council must be one of huge relief, just at the sight of the nine leaders meeting in friendship. It is to be expected that they will feel the relief as strongly as anybody else, or more so.

The Community has many faults, but the world outside looks so fierce and threatening that the very thought that even our common European shelter, however imperfect, might have been destroyed, makes one feel happy and grateful for what we have got.

The recent near escape from disaster should make the nine leaders feel good and nice to one another. That would be helpful when they discuss who the next president of the Community will be. Upon whom will the choice fall?

Another term for a real statesman like Mr Roy Jenkins? A handsome recognition for what even a very small country can do for Europe, by asking Mr Gaston Thorn to take over the heavy responsibility of inventing a new Community in just three years, before the British agreement expires? Or another one of the many worthy candidates available?

If one were to give the European Council a word of advice, it would be to be daring, and to choose a daring and imaginative man (my personal choice: Viscount Davignon, but there are others) who understands that the British crisis can and must be transformed into the starting point for an attempt to set up a better and stronger Community.

There are two paths ahead of us we can choose from. We can have more of the same, that is to say a limited and unbalanced Community, made up of a common market plus a costly agricultural policy, which will produce unending financial imbalances (without Mrs Thatcher's bitter fight, Britain would have paid into Europe, in just three years, the incredible sum of $9,000m (£3,900m) and for what?). The imbalances can of course be corrected, so that the Community survives as an uneasy "collage" of ever more different nations. Or, one can invent a new Community, whose aim will be to create, through a whole set of common development policies, a converging, unified Europe.

There are many reasons to choose the second path, but one is perhaps more important than all the others. The fac there can be no comm pean foreign policy (present leaders have un that quite well) unless behind it a strong cor with strong common int protect. If we want to real European, stabilizi ence in the world, an just as much as the wo then we need a heal growing European Co as well.

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Social Democrats reassure left wing on German missile and détente policies

From Patricia Clough
Bonn, June 11

Fears that West Germany may be drifting into a neutral position have been countered by the Social Democrat (SPD) election manifesto reiterating its commitment to the Atlantic alliance coupled with its policy of détente in Europe.

The party's pre-election congress in Essen this week overcame, with unexpected ease, the misgivings of its left-wing particularly on the question of new Nato missiles and disarmament negotiations.

A number of left-wingers had tabled amendments to the draft manifesto aimed at watering down the party's support for the Nato decision to produce and deploy medium-range nuclear missiles in Europe. There was a tendency to play down the principle of a military balance of power on which the SPD's disarmament and détente policies are based.

The fact that not one speaker rose to pursue the issues and only a handful of delegates voted against, was due to careful behind-the-scenes operations by the amendments committee. It produced a text which fully supports the policies of Herr Helmut Schmidt, the Chancellor, while remaining acceptable to the left.

But, looking back, party members are asking themselves if this hard work was even necessary. The left wing had clearly not wanted a fight about these crucial electoral issues when their big task is supporting the Chancellor—their winning card—and beating Herr Franz Josef Strauss.

"Pre-election congresses tend to behave quite differently from ordinary ones" party members said.

At the same time they suggested that the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, which came after the party thrashed out the missile issue at its congress last year, had made some Social Democrats more realistic about détente.

While they were thankful for the fact that détente policy had meant that Europe remained stable and quiet during the international tension, the importance of a power balance had been vividly brought home.

The manifesto sets out, unchallenged, the key principles of the Social Democrats' peace policy. Briefly, they state that: West Germany's security can only be ensured within the Western alliance; the political and strategic unity of Nato, under the leadership of the United States, must be preserved and strengthened and the protection of the United States is indispensable for Western Europe.

The manifesto also states that the military balance of power between East and West is a central security task in the alliance—without such a balance détente is not possible—and that the party aspires to stabilize this balance on the lowest possible level of armaments.

The party reiterated its belief in the "priority" of the Nato offer to negotiate on an East-West reduction of missiles which was coupled with the decision to produce new ones to counter the new Soviet SS20s and Backfire bombers.

Paris bank haul may remain a m

From Our Own Corre
Paris, June 11

Police have begun hopeless task of trying out how much m property was stolen in raid last night on s the Paris suburb of Billancourt.

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Court allows the lockout weapon

Berlin, June 11.—The Federal Labour Court in Kassel has confirmed that lockouts in labour disputes are allowed, though a sense of proportion must be maintained.

But two lockouts were declared unjustified. In one case, the lockout was "out of proproportion" while in the second case it violated a union's right to free collective bargaining.

Rail-only Channel tunnel is opposed

By Michael Baily
Transport Correspondent

Strong opposition to the rail-only Channel tunnel proposed by British and French railways was voiced by a delegation of local politicians from northern France on a visit to London yesterday.

M Guy Lengagne, regional councillor for the Nord-Pas de Calais and Mayor of Boulogne said that they fear that high-speed trains entering France from such a tunnel would simply pass through their region leaving environmental nuisance but no economic benefits in their trail.

Nord-Pas de Calais, one of France's largest regions and because of its economic problems one of the most politically sensitive, will be urging the French Government that the five-year plan starting next year should include o of Channel link th benefit the reg

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Hard-line reaction to French power strike

From Charles Hargrove
Paris, June 11

For the fifth time in two months, French electricity workers go on strike tomorrow with the usual power cuts, and disruption to public transport and train services. These five days of strike add up to the loss of two and a half days of production, according to Government sources.

The employers, exasperated by the repeated stoppages, which also affect postal delivery, have decided to put their foot down. M François Ceyrac, president of the French Employers' Federation, sent a statement to the trades union organizations cancelling the round of negotiations which were due to have taken place today on shortening the working week.

"It is impossible", M Ceyrac said in his message, "to negotiate with the necessary objectivity and the serenity at a time when once again, public services essential to the life of firms are deliberately interrupted."

Since April 23, the statement added, firms have been plagued by recurring strikes. "This situation is intolerable for the sound operation of firms which, like Frenchmen as a whole, are treated as hostages in conflicts which are foreign to them."

The pretext for the repeated strikes is the tabling by the Government of an amendment to a Bill adopted last month on the control and protection of nuclear substances. This makes workers in nuclear power plants liable to instant dismissal without notice or compensation if, by any action, they endanger the security of the plant, the safety of its personnel, or the protection of fissile materials used in them.

For the unions this is the thin end of the wedge leading to a limitation of the constitutional right to strike. But the abuse by the unions of this right has given added weight to the Government's arguments for limiting it at least in the case of the very sensitive nuclear power stations, where a false manoeuvre or the disregard of safety regulations could have incalculable consequences.

The memory of the Three Mile Island incident in America is still fresh in the minds of all Frenchmen, and the Government's ambitious nuclear programme has encountered mounting opposition from a mixed bag of ecologists, and some left wing movements. All the more reason, in the Government's view, for taking no chances.

The Ministry of Industry insists that the threat of dismissal against nuclear power workers only involves deliberate violations of safety regulations, and not accidental ones.

It will not budge an inch on its amendment and is convinced it has the support of public opinion which is, in any case, fed up with the interruption of public services.

The unions are aware of this danger. The moderate Force Ouvrière has called for a strike without power cuts, "because the public must not be made to suffer". The Leftist CFDT maintains that the security of persons and property has always been protected strikers.

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M Peyrefitte was not amused and the newspaper yesterday carried a letter from him in which he pointed out that he had begun his statement to the Assembly by saying that a "consensus" had emerged among senior judges. His later remark about unanimity had been quoted out of context. "The reader will appreciate who—*Le Monde* or me—takes liberties with the truth," he wrote.

Immediately below the letter the newspaper carried an equally long reply in which it maintained its stand. "When the Keeper of the Seals and Minister of Justice 'demands' in person a correction of his words, claiming that they have been 'deformed', there is much more than a desire, there is a real pressure (on the agency)," *Le Monde* stated.

The federated journalists branch at AFP have now issued a statement deploring the fact that "The minister has had published by AFP a phrase which he never pronounced ... thus abusing AFP."

In these circumstances, the journalists say, "M Peyrefitte has indulged in direct pressure, of which he makes a habit, moreover." The statement cites two other instances in which it says, the minister "has not hesitated to deny reports which nevertheless faithfully reproduced what he said".

The problem of external pressures on the work of French journalists is explained clearly in an interview with M Patrick Poiver d'Arvor, presenter of the main news programme on the Antenne 2 television chain. Raising "a cry of alarm", as he puts it, to the Government, the political parties and all French people, he says it is time that politicians ceased to believe that the television is their own personal property.

Although he says, there are fewer pressures today than in the past before a broadcast, he asserts that things have become more subtle and pressures are applid afterwards, when a journalist is told, directly or indirectly, that a report had "displeased".

OVERSEAS

Labour MPs support Ben Bella campaign

By Edward Mortimer

Supporters of Mr Ahmed Ben Bella, the former Algerian president, are organizing a campaign of international pressure to mark the fifteenth anniversary of his overthrow and imprisonment by the late Colonel Boumediienne on June 19, 1965, and they have enlisted the help of the British Parliamentary Labour Party.

They believe that Algeria is heading for a kind of Islamic upheaval, which only Mr Ben Bella would have the authority to control.

The object of the campaign is to obtain full freedom for Mr Ben Bella, who was officially "released" from house arrest last year but is still restricted in both his movements and his contacts.

He is living in the small town of Msila, about 120 miles south-east of Algiers, but is not allowed to move outside the *willaya* (province) or to receive visits from foreigners or journalists. All his contacts are closely monitored by the police.

Last April Mr Stuart Holland, Labour MP for Lambeth Vauxhall, and Mr Ken Coates, secretary of the Bertrand Russell Peace Foundation, went to Msila and were able to speak to Mr Ben Bella for a few minutes outside his villa. They are believed to be the only foreigners he has seen since 1965.

Mr Ben Bella, right, with Mr Boussouf at Msila in Algeria.

They gave him an invitation from 69 Labour MPs, including four members of the last Labour Cabinet, to come to London and lecture on Third World and international issues. Mr Ben Bella accepted the invitation and Mr Holland and Mr Coates were told by the prefect (provincial governor) that there was no reason, in principle, why he should not travel to London.

This week, however, Mr Abboud Boussouf and Mr Mohamed Yadi, friends of Mr Ben Bella, came to London with a new message from the former president, saying he was still anxious to come but was not in a position to ask for a passport since even more elementary freedoms than that were still denied him.

He had been refused permission to go on pilgrimage to Mecca and even to visit his native village

Mr Boussouf and Mr Yadi told the PLP foreign affairs group on Monday that if Labour MPs wanted Mr Ben Bella to come they would have to bring pressure on the Algerian authorities. They decided to do so through the Algerian ambassador in London.

Mr Boussouf, who served on the general staff of the Algerian National Liberation Army during the war of independence, told *The Times* yesterday there was agreement that only Mr Ben Bella could rebuild the unity of the country and restore democracy. He said he represented a movement whose object was not to bring Mr Ben Bella back to power but to "open the door to democracy

Orthodox leader urges review of papal dogma

From Mario Modiano
Athens, June 11

Metropolitan Meliton of Chalcedon, the senior bishop of the Orthodox Oecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople, called today for a new interpretation of the papal dogmas of primacy and infallibility as a possible key to the reunification of the Christian churches.

Metropolitan Meliton, who is one of the architects of the Roman Catholic-Orthodox dialogue formally inaugurated on the islands of Patmos and Rhodes earlier this month, suggested in an interview that the occasion for such a reappraisal could be an ad hoc Vatican Council, "a Vatican III, perhaps", he said.

"Vatican I", he explained, "defined these doctrines. What would be more appropriate than another Vatican Council giving new interpretations to reconcile the need of the Roman Catholic Church for discipline with the need to dispel the misgivings of all the other Christian churches?"

The two doctrines are seen by many Orthodox Church leaders as the main obstacles to Christian unity. But the dialogue between the Catholics and the Orthodox churches will not broach these controversial issues in its first phase.

The first topic that the mixed commission of the dialogue agreed to examine is: "The mystery of the Church and the Eucharist in the light of the mystery of the Holy Trinity."

Metropolitan Meliton said the first Catholic-Orthodox meeting last week had been crowned with success

"The first aim was to bring the mixed commission into being and this has been accomplished. Thirty official representatives from the Roman Catholic Church and 30 from all the Orthodox churches sat together in conference for the first time in centuries", he remarked.

"The second was for these representatives to get to know each other, to pray together, to be together. It was an important reunion. The third aim was to adopt the agenda for the first phase of the dialogue and lay down the methods by which the dialogue would be conducted. This was done. Now we are ready for the real dialogue."

He believes that both churches stand to benefit from unity. He said: "I believe the Western churches will gain from going back to the sources and draw from the adorative and spiritual practices of the East. They enrich themselves from the more contemplative traditions of the Eastern churches.

The success of the Catholic-Orthodox dialogue coincides with the establishment of diplomatic relations between Greece and the Vatican. Mgr Giovanni Mariani, the first Papal Pro-nuncio ever to be appointed in Greece, presented his letters of credence to President Karamanlis today.

The Church of Greece which has the reputation of being the most conservative of all Orthodox churches, had resisted the opening of an embassy of the Holy See in Athens for fear that it would become a hub of Catholic proselytism.

This was, perhaps, one of the rare occasions, when the state overruled the objections of the church and proceeded with the exchange of envoys, although a minor concession was made in that the Greek Ambassador to the Holy See will not be a resident.

Concern grows in Kampala over role of the army

From Charles Harrison
Nairobi, June 11

Concern is being voiced increasingly about the uncertain political situation in Uganda, and the lack of control over army units in Kampala and other areas.

Mr Yoweri Museveni, the vice-chairman of the ruling military council, who leads a new political group, the Uganda Patriotic Movement, said at the first meeting of its executive committee in Kampala yesterday that Uganda could afford numerous political parties, but could not afford private armies.

Mr Museveni's movement has attracted support from Ugandans who do not support either Dr Milton Obote's Uganda People's Congress or its main opposition, the Democratic Party. It is to hold its first public rally in Kampala on Saturday.

Political activity now dominates everyday life in Uganda with all three parties actively campaigning in preparation for the country's first parliamentary elections since 1962, which have been promised for later this year.

Mr Lameck Ntambi, a Ugandan businessman who leads another political group, the Uganda National Union, told a press conference here today that there was a danger of civil war because Ugandans would not tolerate continued arbitrary arrests and killings by soldiers, which he alleged were being directed by leaders of the new military backed government.

"The people have waited long enough for action to restore security in Uganda. They are going to refuse to grow coffee and other export crops, and there is a real danger of civil war", he said.

Mr Ntambi said he narrowly escaped with his life when armed troops arrived at his office in Kampala last week with orders, he alleged, to shoot him. But he was away, and managed to cross into Kenya without being intercepted.

South Korean journalists accused by authorities

From Jacqueline Reditt
Seoul, June 11

Eight South Korean journalists taken into military custody two days ago are still being held for questioning, a Government source confirmed today.

The Martial Law Command announced that the journalists were responsible for spreading "malicious, groundless rumours" in connexion with the recent violent uprising in the south western town of Kwangju. The statement said the eight men had been "instigated by impure elements from outside", the South Korean phrase normally used to refer to communist agents from North Korea.

Mr Shim Song Mu, aged 39, one of the men detained, is a reporter on the Seoul newspaper, *Dong A Ilbo*. He was accused of having spread three rumours among the people of Kwangju.

Of the other journalists detained, five are from the *Kyunghyang Daily News*, including the foreign news editor and the head of the research bureau, and two are from the Muchwa Broadcasting Corporation, both considered pro-Government organizations.

The seven men are accused of spreading pro-North Korean material intended to incite further demonstrations and revolt. Those found guilty of anti-Government activities or of intentionally spreading rumours likely to harm the nation can be sentenced to up to seven years in prison.

Press censorship has been more strictly enforced since martial law was imposed on May 17. The chief correspondent of the Japanese news agency Kyodo left two days ago after being ordered out of the country for "maliciously twisting facts and issuing false reports" about South Korea.

During and after the uprising in Kwangju, junior reporters on the *Dong A Ilbo* staged a series of walk-outs in protest against martial law censorship.

Journalists in Australia vote to end strike

Sydney, June 11.—Australian newspaper journalists today voted to return to work after a month-long strike over extra pay for using electronic editing equipment.

The 2,000 journalists on main city newspapers voted by a three-to-one margin to accept a management pay offer of an extra 6 per cent a week for operating video display units, plus three extra days' annual holiday.

Journalists had earlier rejected a management offer of 5 per cent in their campaign for an extra $50 (about £25) a week for operating the new equipment. The agreement will mean an average increase of about $18 a week.—Reuter.

Brazil gold rush after prospector finds 15lb nugget

Brasilia, June 11. — A gold rush has started in a sparsely populated region in northern Brazil after a prospector found a nugget weighing about 15lb.

Senhor Deoclides Alberto de Lima, who has been digging for gold for 40 years, and his partner found the nugget in the Sierra Pelada gold fields in Para State.

About 20,000 prospectors have converged on the field from all over Brazil. The government has granted licences to the diggers and a Mines and Energy Ministry official said an average of 57lb of gold was being dug up each day. Senhor de Lima's nugget fetched 4.3m cruzeiros (about £35,000).—Reuter.

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Carnage in riot-torn state 'unparalleled in independent India'

Delhi, June 11.—Troops today swarmed through the riot-torn Indian state of Tripura, where hundreds of people have died in a civil war between tribesmen and immigrants from Bangladesh.

Six days of fighting with weapons ranging from bows and arrows to machine guns have left at least 300 dead and 50,000 homeless, according to official figures. But Indian journalists in the north-east state, from which foreigners are banned, said the toll was much higher.

Government envoys from Delhi arrived in the Tripura capital of Agartala, which has borne the brunt of the bloodletting.

The scale of the violence has shocked Mrs Indira Gandhi's cabinet, which is struggling to curb a wave of anti-immigrant violence that has swept north-east India.

The carnage around Agartala has been the worst since unrest against immigrants exploded last September in neighbouring Assam, where students are demanding the expulsion of immigrants who have come in from Bangladesh and Nepal since 1951.

Hundreds of extra troops and para-military police have been rushed to Tripura and security forces have been told to shoot troublemakers on sight.

Tripura's plunge into chaos began at the weekend, when tribal militants launched a boycott of bazaars in protest against immigrants who now outnumber the local population by three to one. Hundreds of houses in Agartala, its suburbs and surrounding areas were burned as rival groups fought in clashes which quickly ensued.

"Tripura . . . witnessed a naked dance of death, devastation and destruction unparalleled in the history of independent India," the *Indian Express* reported.

It said 300 people were killed yesterday alone in gun-fights, arson and rioting and that the Marxist-ruled state's administration had collapsed. Ten areas, including Agartala, are under night curfew.

Informed sources in Calcutta said intelligence reports indicated that gun-running from Bangladesh to Tripura had reached serious proportions. They claimed that modern weapons, including machine guns and automatic rifles had been used in the fighting.

The *Hindustan Times*, quoting reliable sources, said small arms had been smuggled into Tripura from abroad through the Bangladesh port of Chittagong.

A government team led by Mr Zail Singh, the Home Minister, reached Agartala today and later flew over the worst trouble spots. Mr Singh said in Parliament yesterday that the Government was ready to crack down on leaders of the unrest in the region.

He added that it was also time "to chop off" what he called "the foreign hand" helping to foment it.

Cost of office: Mr Charan Singh, the former Prime Minister of India, owes the Government £76,000 for the private use of Indian Air Force aircraft while he was in office last year, Parliament was told in Delhi today.

His predecessor, Mr Morarji Desai, owes £1,300 for similar travel in November, 1978, according to Defence Ministry calculations. Mrs Indira Gandhi paid a bill of almost £87,000 last month for the use of Air Force aircraft during the 1977 general elections, when she was defeated by Mr Desai.—Reuter.

Libyan shot dead at Milan station

By Our Foreign Staff

A Libyan was shot dead at Milan station yesterday and another shot and injured in Rome.

In London, 40 masked demonstrators rallied outside the Libyan People's Office, the former embassy, to protest against Colone Gaddafi's regime and his renewed threats to liquidate opponents. His deadline for dissidents to return home expired yesterday.

Milan police named the dead man as Mr Azedin Lahderi, aged 56, of Tripoli, who lived in the northern Italian town of Bolzano. The number and nationality of his attackers were not immediately known.

Four Libyans have been killed in Rome i nthe past two months. The man shot and injured was named as Mr Muhammad Bigt, aged 32. His attacker escaped on foot.

Several Libyans in Rome have asked for police protection, according to the police and the authorities have tightened controls on North Africans entering Italy.

A senior London police official said: "We are trying to keep our fingers on all the pulses and to identify those people who might be under threat."

In Bonn, where a former Libyan diplomat was shot dead a month ago, police urged Libyan exiles to contact them if they felt threatened.

Business sources in Beirut said Libyans living abroad had taken special security precautions and many had gone into hiding as the Gaddafi deadline expired.

The official Libyan news agency Jana reported that many Libyans had heeded Colonel Gaddafi's advice and returned home.

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Keeping equilibrium in Zimbabwe between white reconciliation and black expectations

Mr Mugabe's balancing feat on the political tightrope

From Nicholas Ashford
Salisbury, June 11

As Mr Robert Mugabe, the Zimbabwe Prime Minister, approaches the end of his second month in office he resembles a tightrope walker who is having to struggle a little to retain his balance.

That he has maintained his—and Zimbabwe's—equilibrium so far is a remarkable achievement considering the tensions that inevitably existed at the end of a civil war and the conflicting pressures he is now having to contend with.

But in the coming months the statesmanlike qualities that he has displayed so far will be stretched to the full if he is to avoid slipping off his tightrope.

His main preoccupation during the past two months has been the need to balance white reconciliation and black expectations. He has gone out of his way to allay white fears about their future under a Zanu (PF)-led government, not just because he recognizes the need to retain whites' skills (at least for a while longer), but also because he is acutely conscious of the fact that whites continue to control two of the main levers of power, the Army and the economy.

Until he feels his administration is firmly established he is likely to continue to avoid taking any actions which might offend the white military establishment or the business community.

Inevitably Mr Mugabe's policy of reconciliation towards the whites has caused some resentment among his supporters, who are starting to complain that not enough attention is being paid to them. It has also led to disagreements within the Zanu (PF) hierarchy. On a number of occasions Mr Mugabe has had to "correct" statements by Zanu (PF) Ministers which offended whites.

Although his authority within the party and government remains unchallenged, some of his principal lieutenants—among them Mr Edger Tekere, the Minister of Manpower and Planning, the Zanu (PF) secretary-general, Mr Enos Nkala, who is also Minister of Finance and Mr Herbert Ushewokunze, the Minister of Health—have been adopting a more militant line than their leader.

They have publicly chastised whites for resisting change, a charge which is by no means unjustified, as many whites seem to believe that Mr Mugabe's message of reconciliation means maintaining the status quo.

Within the party Mr Tekere, Mr Nkala and Mr Ushewokunze form a powerful group, which Mr Tekere as emphasized is the "dominant factor" in determining government policy, and Mr Mugabe cannot ignore their views.

In particular they are much closer to the grassroots of the party than is Mr Mugabe, who has a tendency to remain somewhat aloof and who spends most of his time working in his office rather than mixing with the people.

"Sooner or later the Prime Minister is going to have to come off his tightrope and show himself more determined to promote the interests of the people who voted him into office," remarked a Zimbabwean political commentator. "Although I think he can still keep the radicals at bay for a while yet, he must realize that in the end he must satisfy his own supporters, and they are blacks, not whites."

The budget which Mr Nkala is due to present next month may be the first sign that things are starting to change. It is expected to contain big tax increases as a first step towards a major redistribution of wealth from the pockets of the rich (predominantly white) minority to the impoverished majority.

Such a change, coinciding with the Government's present plans for Africanizing the civil service, is likely to accelerate white emigration, which has been rising steadily since the February elections.

Certainly it will have more direct impact on white living standards than the peripheral issues which now seem to preoccupy them most, such as the cancellation of the British Lions rugby visit, the tone of the political commentaries on the state broadcasting system, or the changes in public holidays.

Other issues which could tip Mr Mugabe off balance in the months ahead include the lack of progress in integrating the Zanla and Zipra guerrilla forces with regular units and the gap that is developing between Zanu (PF) and its former partner in the Patriotic Front Alliance, Mr Joshua Nkomo's Zapu party.

The integration of the armed forces is not going well, which is why Mr Mugabe has asked Britain to expand its military training programme. There are three separate and potentially hostile armies inside the country and fighting between them remains a possibility.

Until they can be reformed into one national army, which he wants to achieve by the end of the year, Mr Mugabe will have to tread warily to avoid taking any steps that might provoke one or more of them into action.

The Zanu (PF)-Zapu tensions are to some extent related to the failure of the integration process. Mr Nkomo, who holds the relatively impotent Home Affairs portfolio, recognizes that the presence of 12,000 well-armed Zipra troops in the country is one of the few trumps left in his hand and he is not going to throw it away.

He has so far resisted attempts to reduce the size of his army unless there is a commensurate reduction of the Zanla force.

Rivalries between supporters of the two parties have steadily deteriorated. Zanu (PF) supporters have acc[illegible] Nkomo's party of be[illegible] the recent strikes, [illegible] well have been the [illegible] stoppage at Wank[illegible] Ndebele coal miners [illegible] far longer than strike[illegible] parts of the country.

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Mr Jimmy Stevens, the rebel leader meets Inspector-General Jacques Robert, the French Resident Commissioner in the New Hebrides.

Zimbabwe tobacco overproduced marl[illegible]

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import 40,000 tonnes from South Africa and the figure will be around 200,000 tonnes next year".

Mr Tindle explained that the effects of the war and two years of drought were partly to blame for this shortfall. But in his view the main factor was the low maize price paid to farmers which at present stands at between Zimbabwe $75-80 (£50-£53) a tonne compared with the Z$160 a tonne that Zimbabwe is having to pay for the South African imports. The grain producers are negotiating with the Government for an increase to Z$90-95 (£60-£63) a tonne and, according to Mr Tindle, "if we can get the right conditions this country could be back to self-sufficiency in one year and be exporting again in two years."

The situation for wheat production is similar. Before UDI in 1965 the country was producing only 5 per cent of its wheat requirements, but by 1978 output had risen to 207,000 tonnes—27,000 tonnes more than national consumption. This year, however, output will be in the region of only 130,000 tonnes and the importation of wheat is being avoided only by using stocks left over from previous seasons. "We will probably be importing wheat next year unless there is a substantial increase in production", Mr Tindle said.

Mr Denis Norman, the Minister of Agriculture and himself past president of the CFU, is sympathetic to the farmers' demands for higher prices. But this immediately poses a political problem for the new Government which is anxious to avoid having to increase food prices so soon after coming into office and is already being criticized for paying too much attention to whites and not enough to blacks.

Mr Norman has hinted that beef rationing may soon have to be introduced if Zimbabwe is to maintain its present export levels of beef, a valuable source of foreign exchange. Beef production has fallen partly because of the war but also because of artificially low prices. It is estimated that up to one million of the three million cattle owned by African farmers in the tribal areas have been lost as a result of stock theft or disease. Losses to white farmers have been much lower but are still put at more than 170,000 head of cattle.

Although beef prices were raised last year, they are still below producer [illegible] means that the Go[illegible] not only having [illegible] Z$20m (£13.4m) a[illegible] sidies, but there is [illegible] for farmers to incr[illegible] of their herds.

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Israel is accused of obstruction

From Our Correspondent
Cario, June 11

Egypt today accuser Israel of deliberately obstructing the Middle East peace process by continuing its policy of building settlements in occupied Arab territories and called on the United States to find means of eliminating the obstacles clogging the Egyptian-Israeli negotiations.

A sharply worded statement issued by the Egyptian Foreign Ministry, said remarks made by Mr Menachem Begin, the Israeli Prime Minister, that Israel would build 10 more settlements in the West Bank and Gaza Strip were "a blatant contradiction" of the text and spirit of the Camp David accords.

Mr Begin's remarks during a television interview with the American Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) on Monday coincided with Egypt's acceptance of an American proposal to send its chief negotiator to Washington

Mr Begin's statements were seen by observers in Cairo as an unnecessary embarrassment to the Egyptian and American Governments.

Washington divided on Clark prosecution

From David Cross
Washington, June 11

Mr Ramsey Clark, the former Attorney-General, has reacted angrily to President Carter's suggestion that he should be prosecuted for going to Iran last week in defiance of a ban on travel to that country.

Mr Clark told reporters today that the President seemed to want to rush into 1984 four years too early. "I feel sad that Carter may want to prosecute", he said. "The President doesn't understand the rule of law. He is trying to politicize it."

Mr Clark was responding to comments made by the President to reporters who were returning to Washington from the West Coast on board his aircraft last night. "My inclination is, within the bounds of the law, to go ahead and prosecute both Clark and the others who went against my directive," the President said.

Mr Carter added that a final decision would be taken by Mr Benjamin Civiletti, the Attorney-General. "I think the most likely move would be civil (rather than criminal penalties) because we need to let the American people know, and the rest of the world know, that the order will be enforced to deter further violation of it in the future."

Mr Carter's comments came as something of a surprise since Mr Edmund Muskie, his Secretary of State, had indicated at the weekend that the Administration would probably treat Mr Clark leniently.

The difference of opinion reflects two schools of thought in the Administration. One, which is supported by Mr Carter and conservative members of Congress, believes that the Administration must dissociate itself clearly from Mr Clark's attendance at an anti-American conference in Iran last week.

Another group, however, is not certain that the travel ban is legally watertight.

No sanctions police: A Foreign Office minister yesterday ruled out the need for an international inspectorate to police the West's sanctions policy against Iran. Mr Douglas Hurd, Minister of State, told the Commons select committee on foreign affairs that the technical committee set up under the EEC was considered sufficient to monitor the effect of the trade embargo

Israel vigilantes formed to protect moderates

From Christopher Walker
Jerusalem, June 11

The recent polarization of Israel society increased further with the announcement today of the formation of left-wing vigilante groups designed to protect the premises of moderate political groupings from attack by right-wing Jewish extremists.

At a press conference, Mr Ury Avnery and Mr Meir Pa'il, the two Knesset members of the leftish Shell Party, called for volunteers aged between 18 and 35 to join the new groups. They said that the vigilantes would be trained in unarmed combat and organized in patrols of about 10 people.

The two politicians are hopto find their recruits among supporters of Peace Now, a group which has recently shown itself capable of mustering upwards of 50,000 Israelis to demonstrate against the policies of Mr Menachim Begin's coalition government.

Mr Avnery is widely known in Israel as a persistent critic of alleged anti-Arab tendencies inside the armed forces. Last month he read a controversial statement to the Knesset detailing claims which he said had been submitted to him by individual Israel soldiers about their orders to ill-treat Arabs living in the occupied West Bank.

The formation of the new vigilante groups follows an attack on the Sholi Party's headquarters in Tel Aviv earlier this month by a new right-wing Jewish terrorist group calling itself "Terror Against Terror". Earlier the same underground group claimed responsibility for the bombings which maimed two militant Palestinian mayors and injured seven Arabs in the holy city or Hebron.

After ransecking the party's premises and painting the slogan "Traitors" in Hebrew on the wall, the Jewish extremists threatened the lives of both Mr Avnery and Mr Pa'il in telephone calls. Since the attacks on the mayors, a number of prominent left-wing jew have also been threatened, including Mr Yossi Sarid, a labour member of the Knessnt, and Mrs Felicia Langer, a communist lawyer.

Talks on Palestinian issue start soon in Washington

From Our Own Correspondent
Washington, June 11

The White House announced today that preparatory talks for a resumption of the stalled Palestinian autonomy negotiations between Egypt and Israel would take place in Washington soon.

In a statement published here, President Carter said he was pleased that the Egyptian and Israeli governments had accepted his reecnt invitation to send their chief negotiators to Washington to prepare for a resumption of the talks.

A date for the meeting, which will involve Mr Kamal Hassan Ali, the Egyptian Foreign Minister, Mr Josef Burg, the Israel Minister of the Interior, and Mr Sol Linowitz, President Carter's special Middle East envoy, is to be set "shortly", the statement said.

The preliminary talks would focus on "issues which impede the resumption" of autonomy talks themselves, it said. "All parties recognize that it is essential to pursue the negotiations to a successful conclusion as expeditiously as possible."

A senior White House official that he expected President Carter would be able to announce a firm date for the preliminary talks in "the very near future." No meeting would take place before the official visit to Washington next Tueseday and Wednesday by King Husain of Jordan.

The official was very careful to emphasize this latter point. King Husain cancelled plans for a visit to the American capital in the spring when it appeared that he might be in the United States about the same time as President Sadat of Egypt and Mr Menachem Begin, the Israel Prime Minister.

Today's announcement had been widely expected since last weekend when Mr Carter sent a letter to President Sadat inviting him to send his foreign minister to Washington.

In a speech to the Washington Press Club on Monday, Mr Edmund Muskie, the Secretary of State, called on both Egypt and Israel to resume their autonomy talks "as soon as possible".

Exchange of views on Arabs and Europe

From Mario Modiano
Athens, June 11

The search for new lines of communication between Western Europe and the Arabs that would not be bogged down by political considerations, or crippled by economic confrontation, brought many influential personalities to Athens at the weekend for an exchange of views.

The meeting, organized by the Club of Rome and the Hellenic Mediterranean Centre for Arabic and Islamic Studies, was attended by leading figures from nine European and 13 Arab countries. There was an open discussion based on a report which explored "avenues of cooperation in an interdependent world."

The closing session last night endorsed recommendations for the creation of a Euro-Arab data bank to furnish immediate information for possible cooperation, a sort of rapid link between supply and demand, on both economic and cultural matters.

It was also agreed to extend expert agricultural research now carried out in southern Europe to the Arab states, and to study the establishment of a Euro-Arab institute of management to train executives.

The meeting set up a steering committee to follow up these recommendations. It will consist of Mr Maurice Guernier (France), a founding member of the Club of Rome, Dr Malek Basbous (Lebanon), president of the Green Plan, Señor Diez Hochleitner (Spain) president of the Mediterranean Centre, Dr O. Badran (Sudan), chairman of the Arab authority for Agricultural Investment and Development, and Signor Torelli (Italy), director of Italconsult. The political overtones could not be avoided even at this meeting where a number of Cabinet ministers and undersecretaries from various countries were present in a personal capacity.

Egypt was not invited, for fear that delegates from the hard-line Arab countries would not come. Yet, as one delegate pointed out, how could one discuss agriculture in the Middle East without hearing the Egyptian view.

Fred Astaire takes out marriage licence

Los Angeles, June 11.—Mr Fred Astaire and Miss Robyn Smith, an American jockey, have taken out a marriage licence, a court official said here today.

Staff at Mr Astaire's house refused to comment. Licences are usually taken out at courts a few days before a wedding.

Miss Smith, who is 35, has been a constant companion of Mr Astaire, aged 81, whose first wife died in 1954. There were two children by the marraige Miss Smith has not been married before.

Mr Astaire has concentrated on playing character roles in recent years after starring in Hollywood musicals opposite such stars as Ginger Rogers and Ann Miller.—Reuter.

Big clash looms in Kabul area

From Trevor Fishlock
Islamabad, June 11

Soviet forces ringing Kabul have moved quickly and powerfully to bolster their strength against a growing threat from Afghan resistance fighters. The stage seems set for a major struggle.

During the past few days fresh guerrilla forces have moved from their border camps inside north-western Pakistan to the hills about 12 miles north-west of Kabul. They join several thousand other guerillas, including former Afghan army troops who have defected.

It is said that a number of *Mujahidin* (holy warriors) have entered Kabul.

Although the guerrillas are not strong enough for a head-on clash with the Russians, they are still causing the Russians great concern.

The Soviet reaction to the build up of guerrillas has been prompt. Many jets and helicopters have been seen moving into Kabul and the air is filled with the roar of heavy transport aircraft.

The picture together today is from informed sources and checked and confirmed reports. Tension is mounting in Kabul. Eyewitnesses report Russian bombardment of insurgent positions in the hills which continues at night with the use of tracer shells and flares.

There has been heavy fighting in villages near the capital, especially in the Paghman mountains, a focus of Russian attention. In the Kohdaman grape groing region, four villages were attacked a week ago and badly damaged. There were many casualties and about that time a reliable observer counted 200 armoured vehicles in the region.

Villagers from the pottery centre of Istallif, and from Charikar, about 15 milese from Kabul, have fled into the capital with reports of attacks on their villages. The guerrillas have been continuing to hit the Russians from cover before disappearing into the landscape.

A guerrilla band raided the royal summer palace at Paghman, 12 miles from Kabul and, ignoring jewelery, took a collection of old guns.

There is a report that a protected column of 70 vehicles was ambushed near Musaqula in the Helman Valley. According to an Afghan driver who fled the scene and made his way to his village, the guerrillas burnt a fuel lorry and camouflaged and hid the rest.

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Moscow 'traps Hanoi in Sino-Soviet conflict'

From David Watts
Singapore, June 11

Mr Sinnathamby Rajaratnam, for long the "hawk" among South-East Asian foreign ministers on Vietnam, seems to have mellowed in the 11 days since he left the foreign minister's office.

Now Second Deputy Prime Minister with responsibility for foreign affairs in the Singapore Cabinet he sounded almost sorry for his old Vietnamese adversaries in a speech prepared for delivery to foreign correspondents in Bangkok tonight.

Characterizing himself not so much as a hawk but as "a gentle old owl in hawk's feathers", he explained why he felt that the Vietnamese had, almost unwittingly, got themselves trapped in an unwinnable proxy war in Kampuchea which could only benefit their Soviet paymasters.

Hanoi's "misadventure" in Kampuchea was not the result of well-planned, controlled moves by the Vietnamese leadership, but the consequences of events over most of which they had little or no control. They were the victims rather than the masters of events.

The Vietnamese, he said, had been drawn into the Kampuchea war by a number of factors but most of all by what he called the "rooster fallacy".

Just as the cock crowing every morning began to believe that it was his crowing which made the sun rise, so the Vietnamese had come to believe that it was their military strength, single-mindedness and resolution which had been responsible for inflicting defeats on both the French and Americans in Vietnam.

However, the biggest contribution to their victories over both powers, apart from extensive external financial and military assistance, had been the anti-war pressures in France and the United States.

This illusion of military superiority was being dispelled in Kampuchea, he said, where a not very impressive guerrilla force had the Vietnamese floundering after an illusive victory. It was already beginning to dawn on the Vietnamese that they had been drawn into a much bigger wer—the Sino-Soviet conflict.

The end of the Vietnam war had provided the opportunity for the Vietnamese leadership to enter into a richly rewarding programme of industrial re-in cooperation with the West, and had allowed Vietnamese foreign policy to retain freedom of action with an even-handed policy towards China, the Soviet Union and the industrialized West.

That would have promised much for the Vietnamese economy, Mr Rajaratnam said. But it would not have served Soviet interests in the Sino-Soviet conflict. With China moving towards friendship with the Americans, such a Vietnam would have left China's southern flank free of harassment.

The Vietnamese had no alternative but to cling to the Russians, once they har been seduced into he Soviet orbit, and become bogged down in Kampuchea in a war whose consequences they did not forsee

"The Chinese may not be able to defeat the Vietnamese by an occupation of that country—as demonstrated by China's so-called first punishment. But they may be able to achieve this by the second punishment now being adminisered on the Vietnamese in Kampuchea.

"The Chinese, like the Russians, know that this is not a war about Kampucher or for Kampucher but a Sino-Soviet war. So long as the Vietnamese remain confused about the war they are fighting they must continue to bleed not for Vietnam but in the interests of a Sino-Soviet war", Mr Rajaratnam said.

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Señor Alfonso Robelo, a leading businessman and a former member of the ruling junta, who resigned with great *éclat* in April, is more outspoken. From his experiences in the Government, he said, he believed that Nicaragua was already acquiring the characteristics of a totalitarian regime, and that links were being established between the doctrine of "Sandinism" and Marxism.

Criticism centres on the creation of neighbourhood committees on the Cuban pattern, the indoctrination of public employees, the Army and the police, and the literacy campaign launched this spring. The campaign is directed at the 52 per cent of the population estimated to have been illiterate, but its political aims are at least as important as its educational ones.

The textbooks that are used read like a political primer, with model sentences extolling the Sandinest revolution—named after General Augusto Sandino, a rebel leader of the 1930s now treated like the father of the country. Discussion of these themes is an important part of the course.

The campaign is headed by a Jesuit priest, Father Fernando Cardenal, and there are Roman Catholic priests in other key government positions. The Jesuit view is that Sandinism is still lacking in ideological content, and that there is room in it for Catholic social doctrines as well as Marxism.

Not everyone believes that too sinister a construction should be put on the events of the past 11 months. At *La Prensa*, a newspaper which has been both sharply critical of the Government and criticized in return, Señor Pablo Cuadra, the editor, said that he regarded these exchanges as the normal give and take after a revolution.

The resignation of Señor Robelo was significant because until then the Sandinists had not decided whether to continue with the multi-party system. They decided to do so, and made significant concessions to the private sector, including the appointment of two moderate members of the junta, greater protection for private property, and agreement in principle to announce a timetable for elections.

The political battle continues. Señor Robelo, now regarded by the Sandinists as the arch-enemy, was recently the victim of a "dirty trick" that misfired—the publication in *Barricada*, the Sandinist newspaper, of a faked photograph showing him shaking hands with President Somoza. It was of course, grist to his mill.

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Threat to crews issued by Polisario Front

Madrid, June 11.—The Polisario Front today said it would take prisoner and punish all those who violated the territorial waters of its self-proclaimed "Democratic Saharan Arab Republic" in the former Spanish colony of Western Sahara.

The warning came in a communiqué here confirming that the Polisario Front was holding 15 crew of the Spanish fishing boat Garmo Mar, "intercepted on May 22 while illegally in territorial waters".

The communiqué also confirmed the destruction of a Portuguese fishing boat Rio Vouga, and the detention of its 15-man crew, who according to reports in Lisbon yesterday, were taken prisoner by Polisario guerrillas earlier this month off the coast of Western Sahara.

It said that the crew of the Spanish boat were all in "excellent health"

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t strictly deaf, he slightly impaired hearing and was unable to hear Dr. Reynolds's watch ticking in either ear. Mr Reagan believes this defect was caused by a shot being fired near his ear when he was making a cowboy film during his days in Hollywood.

Mr Reagan's health was raised from time to time as an issue in the long presidential primary campaign, during which he travelled and made speeches as tirelessly as any of his rivals.

In part, concern stems from the fact that his mother suffered from senility, characterized by disorientation and loss of memory, for some years before she died at the age of 80.

There is, however, no evidence that the condition is hereditary, any more than is the alcoholism (Mr Reagan calls it "the Irish curse") which contributed to his father's death at 60.

During the interview, Mr Reagan spoke of the possibility of his running for a second four-year term in 1984 if he wins this year. He would then be 77 on leaving office.

According to the National Centre for Health Statistics, having attained 69 he has a statistical probability of living until the age of 80 and a few months.

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29 die in air crash

Lisbon, June 11.—All 29 people on board were killed when a Soviet-built Angolan airliner crashed in southern Angola on Sunday, according to an official announcement in Luanda.

Law Report June 11 1980

Court of Appeal

Woman objector fails to stop motorway

Lovelock v Minister of Transport

Before Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Waller and Lord Justice Dunn

Even though the Secretary of State for the Environment might have failed to take a relevant consideration into account in giving his consent to the initiation of the procedure for the compulsory purchase of Green Belt land for the purposes of a motorway under section 6(3) the Green Belt (London and Home Counties) Act, 1938, that would not render the consent a nullity. The consent would not be invalid until it was declared by the courts to be invalid.

The Court of Appeal dismissed an appeal by Miss Lesley Lovelock, of Cranham, Upminster, Essex, against Mr Justice Willis's dismissal on March 11 of her application against the Minister of Transport for orders quashing, or suspending the operation of compulsory purchase orders made by the minister for the A13-A12 section of the M25 motorway.

Leave to appeal to the House of Lords was refused.

The Green Belt Act of 1938 provides by Section 6(1) that before "Green Belt land vested in a local authority" is acquired by a "highway authority" for use for the purpose of their statutory powers" (b) where the land is proposed to be acquired otherwise than by agreement the authority . . . proposing to acquire the land shall first obtain the consent of the minister to the initiation of procedure for the compulsory purchase thereof . . . (3) The minister before giving his consent under paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of this section shall consider any objections which he has received to the proposed invitation of procedure for the compulsory purchase of the land".

Sir Frederick Corfield, QC, and Mr David Holgate for Miss Lovelock; Mr John Laws for the minister.

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that for nearly 10 years the M25 had been under discussion. It was an orbital road round London; 32 miles were now open to the public, 15 miles were now under construction and about 30 miles were held up pending the court's decision. Because of that the appeal had been expedited.

The M25 was deserving of the highest priority, even in days when expenditure on other roads was being drastically curtailed. It was designed to carry traffic from the north round London, through the Dartford tunnel, and on to the Channel ports. The Government White Paper, *Policy for Roads: England 1980* (Cmnd 7908), speaking of roads which aided "economic recovery and development", said that the M25 was an "outstanding example". When completed it would "link up all the major routes radiating from the capital" and would "improve transport links with Europe and those to the London airports".

It had been held up because of the opposition of a very determined lady, Miss Lovelock, who had opposed it ever since the scheme was published in 1972. She had appeared at many public inquiries. She had appealed before to the Court of Appeal ([1979] RTR250). The Minister of Transport had made two compulsory purchase orders in September, 1979, after a public inquiry in the autumn of 1978. Miss Lovelock had sought to quash those orders.

Her struggle could be compared to a tennis match. She had won some games and lost some. Now it was match point.

A new point which had not been taken before was under the Green Belt Act, 1938, which had been passed to preserve a "green belt" round London. The line of the M25 traversed land which had been declared to be "Green Belt" land.

One of the orders provided that 154 acres of Green Belt land were to be compulsorily acquired and made into a six-lane traffic highway. The Minister of Transport had to get the consent of the Secretary of State for the Environment under section 6 of the Act. He had given his consent in a letter of April 5, 1978. That consent was challenged. It was said that the consent was vitiated because the minister, on his own confession, had failed to take into account a most relevant consideration — the need for the motorway.

Then a point had been taken regarding notices put in newspapers to let people know when to lodge objections to the compulsory purchase orders and propose alternative routes.

It was plain that the Ministry of Transport had messed up the dates. They put a public notice in the *Havering Post and Echo* of October 5, 1978, saying that any person who intended to propose an alternative route should send information about it to the Secretary of State by September 29, 1978. Perhaps the minister was giving back the 11 days lost in the calendar, or he was going by Einstein's theory of relativity.

On the Green Belt point, it was the first case to come before the court under the 1938 Act. By section 6 there were saving provisions for the acquisition of land under certain statutory powers, if, for example, it was necessary for a new road, but any such development could not proceed without the consent of the Minister of Health, now the Secretary of State for the Environment.

By section 6 (3) the minister before giving his consent, had to "consider any objections". Miss Lovelock had objected because she said that there was no need for the motorway. She had inspired others to object. The objections had been heard. One objector registered "a strong objection to . . . the compulsory acquisition of Green Belt land for the . . . motorway. In the absence of proof of need . . . this wanton destruction of London's Green Belt, much of it being priceless and irreplaceable farmland, is nothing short of an environmental disaster". In all 230 objections had been lodged.

The Secretary of State did consider the objections and gave his consent. On April 5, 1978, he said that he had "considered the 230 objections", the main grounds of which were "that in the absence of proof of need for the motorway, destruction of Green Belt land and in particular farmland would be unjustified". The Secretary of State said that at an inquiry in 1973 the need for the motorway had been established.

He then said that "the view is taken that the question whether there is a need for the road is not one which the Secretary of State may properly consider under the Act of 1938". Having considered the objections he concluded that there was "no adequate or sufficient reason for him to withhold his consent under the section". A good deal of criticism could be directed at the way that the minister had written the letter.

The minister had to "consider any objections" but he did not need to go farther and investigate those objections. The question was whether the objections fairly and reasonably related to the proposed development. They did not fairly so relate. Everything had been investigated beforehand; the need for the motorway had been firmly established and the minister could say that there was no need for further investigation. So interpreted the consent was valid. But the wording was unfortunate and had given rise to an ingenious argument.

But even if the minister had failed to take account of relevant considerations that did not make it a nullity. It was not a nullity until steps were taken to make it invalid. "An order, even if not made in good faith, is still an act capable of legal consequences. . . . Unless the necessary proceedings are taken at law to establish the cause of invalidity and to get it quashed . . . it will remain as effective . . . as the most impeccable of orders": Lord Radcliffe in *Smith v East Elloe Rural District Council* ([1956] AC 736, 769).

The minister had taken all the necessary steps. An inquiry had been held and a compulsory purchase order made on the belief that the consent was valid. It was impossible now to challenge the order on the ground that the requirement of section 6(3) had not been complied with.

Although Miss Lovelock had been entitled to take the point and had been allowed to take it, it was far too late for her to succeed now. She could have taken steps to get it quashed at an earlier date by taking steps for judicial review.

As to the point about the notices in newspapers, under section 54 of the Highways Act, 1971, Miss Lovelock had known that she could put forward an alternative route but she did not put one forward. The minister and inspector made it clear that alternative routes could be put forward at the inquiry. No one had had alternative routes to suggest. There was no ground for thinking that anyone was prejudiced, either substantially or at all, by the mistakes in the notices.

Both on the Green Belt point and the mistake in the notices, Miss Lovelock failed. The appeal should be dismissed.

LORD JUSTICE WALLER, agreeing, said that the Secretary of State was under a duty to consider objections and he had done so. He had rightly considered that the need for the motorway had already been established. His Lordship was of the opinion that there had been no breach of section 6(3) of the 1938 Act. If there had been a breach there was a presumption of validity about the consent given by the minister. When the compulsory purchase order was made, it was properly made and could not be upset by any defect in the notice.

LORD JUSTICE DUNN, also agreeing, said that the general question of the need for the motorway had been considered at a public inquiry in 1973. At a second public inquiry in 1976, Miss Lovelock had tried to reopen all the questions relating to the need for the motorway. She had appealed against the inspector's report and recommendation and the appeal had been dismissed. It was plain that there was a need for the motorway and that the need continued. It was no part of the Secretary of State's function to investigate extraneous considerations independent of the Green Belt.

The Secretary of State had been right to refuse to reopen the question of the need for the motorway.

Solicitors: B. M. Birnberg & Co; Treasury Solicitor.

Breast cancer project grant

The Cancer Research Campaign has given a grant of £200,000 to the Edinburgh Breast Screening Project, to promote and evaluate a health education programme on breast cancer.

The project aims to make women aware of how they can contribute to their own health care.

Fewer eat dearer school meals

The number of children having school meals in Northamptonshire has fallen by half to 30,000. Price rose by a fifth to 55p a day at the start of term.

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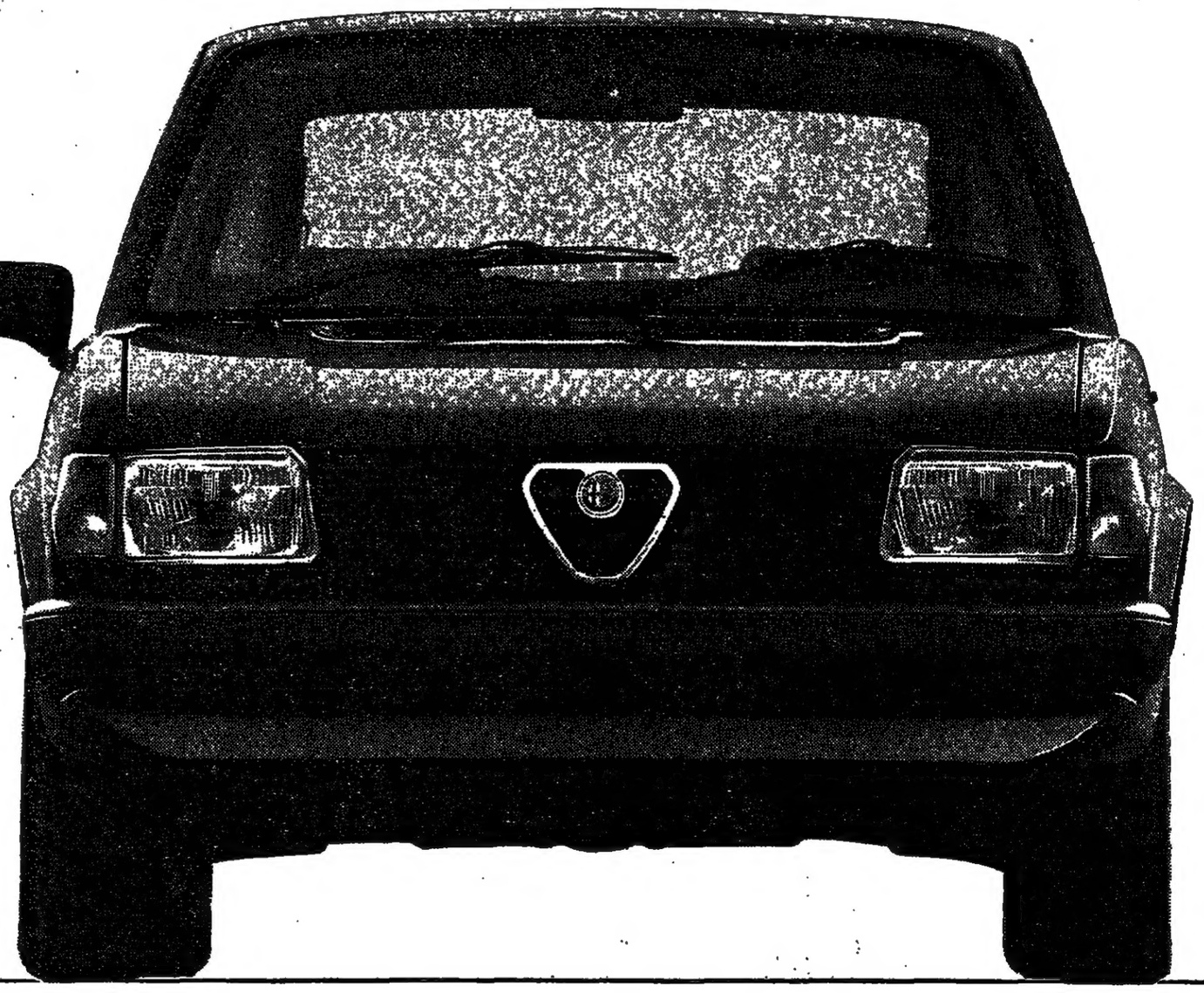

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Guest Column

Why must my son have to suffer this extra handicap?

Claire Tomalin, Literary Editor of "The Sunday Times", contributes this week's column.

Over the past five years or so I have been engaged in sporadic attempts to ensure that my son, now approaching 10, should receive a good education. My son is severely physically handicapped but mentally sound; not a genius, not a dunce. He taught himself to read at five. Education seems a good idea for everyone, and in his case there is a stronger reason for making sure he gets the best, since his intellect is his one resource, and if he is to earn his living and not become institutionalized or dependent on charity, the development of his mental powers is of the first importance. He cannot, after all, become a labourer or work in a shop or factory.

When he was four, the educational psychologists at Great Ormond Street Hospital in London tested him, found his IQ to be slightly above average and recommended that he should go to a normal school. Two primary school heads expressed an initial willingness to take him as a pupil, but the Inner London Education Authority refused absolutely and insisted that he go to a special school, where he has been ever since.

The advantages of the special school were pointed out to me: small classes, physiotherapists on the spot, a bus to carry him to and fro. Reluctantly I gave in. Life was difficult, I was a single working mother, how could I fight the ILEA? Things must change soon, what about the Warnock committee, etc?

When my son started at his special school I was assured that its educational standards were the same as those at an ordinary school. This however is not so. The school day is shorter and the headmistress has now explained to me that no child takes anything higher than CSE, and that at the age of 16. Children who might aspire to O or A levels go on to colleges of higher education to do so. No science is taught, and the children, instead of moving up each year, remain in the same class for several years because there is not a large enough staff.

Since the handicaps of the children range from severe cerebral palsy to haemophilia, brittle bones, cystic fibrosis, etc, it is obviously difficult to keep up a normal programme of education, and the emphasis is clearly on making the children happy now rather than worrying about their future prospects. I must add that the atmosphere in the school is extremely happy and that my son and I feel considerable personal affection for his teachers. But that is not the point.

Recently I was summoned by an ILEA educational psychologist and told that my son's IQ is now below average, and that I must expect it to drop further as he continues through the ILEA system. He told me solemnly that it had been artificially high before because my son came from an "advantaged" home. The advantage of my son's home is that he has an educated mother and sisters. There is also a disadvantage in that his father is dead and he has an overworked mother.

But the biggest disadvantage of his life, apart from his handicap, is that he has become socially isolated by his special school, as I have frequently pointed out to the ILEA. Whereas he had friends when he went to a local private nursery school, he now has almost none. When I asked where his IQ failure lay I was told it was not in reading or maths but in (if I understand aright) "social" knowledge. I expressed myself not surprised on hearing this, since it is after all the ILEA's policy to isolate handicapped children from their peers and from normal social experience.

I should like my son to be educated properly by the State. Or, if I could buy him a proper education, I would do so. During the last few years I have in fact approached several private schools in London to see if they would take my son. All but one refused without seeing him, because he is in a wheelchair; one headmaster said he thought it unreasonable to expect normal children to accept handicapped ones. (But American friends tell me that during the years of polio, children in wheelchairs were commonly educated in American schools: perhaps that is why America is so far ahead in its treatment of the handicapped now?). One experimental school did offer to consider him, but it would have involved so long a journey across London twice a day that I had to abandon the idea.

Well, I am grateful to the ILEA for this at least—they have not turned him down flat. And indeed, they have suggested that he might go on from his present school to one of their own boarding schools in the country—a boarding school run entirely for physically handicapped children.

But I do not want to send my son to boarding school, least of all to a boarding school where he is isolated among other handicapped children, still more isolated than he is already. If I can manage to give him a near-normal home life, is it really beyond the wit of the ILEA to give him a near-normal education?

This is a cry from my heart, but also from my brain. My duty as my son's one parent is surely to ensure that he receives a good education, one that does not lead to the steady lowering of his IQ—and who is to say whether his IQ at four was "artificially high" or whether it is now "artificially low"?

The ILEA's aim seems to be to reconcile me to the idea that my son's intelligence *must* be diminished by their policy, and that I would do best to stop expecting anything of him. If that is so, it is a bad policy and needs to be rethought. I cannot believe that the Warnock committee intended that we should arrive at such an attitude.

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Read me and try one

The Times Cook

Shona Crawford Poole

Ice cream evokes summer holidays. It brings back the bicycle bell call of the hokey-cokey man with his tricycle cart, and rushing down the garden path with grandpa's big mug to have it filled for the ice cream sodas which were invariably confected in tall sundae glasses.

First there were cones, and when one was old enough to be trusted with them, sliders or wafers which had to be licked round the edges and the wafers squeezed together to prolong the pleasure. Then there was Cornish ice cream so yellow and sweet and rich that the grown-ups said we would be sick, but we never were.

Dainty ices eaten with small spoons in pavement cafes seemed the height of student sophistication. Later still came confirmation of the universal truth that there are few puddings not improved by the right booze . . . lemon sorbet laced with a shot of iced vodka.

Elaborate iced puddings, crenellated, complicated and decorated to the teeth, were fashionable among Victorian and Edwardian hostesses, and one can see why. However fussed over, ice cream is always somehow lighthearted, universally popular, and demands little last-minute attention.

Junk food is no way to speak about home-made ice cream. While it can be sinfully rich in cream, sugar and eggs, there are equally delicious recipes which have more regard for both waistline and purse.

There is no reason why home-made ices should be spoiled by gritty ice crystals. If the partially frozen ice is tipped into a bowl at half-time and beaten vigorously till smooth, the texture when it is frozen firm will be like velvet. Fast freezing helps to eliminate the growth of big ice crystals, so always turn the freezer or ice compartment to its coldest setting at least an hour before putting in the ice cream container.

The following recipes can all be made successfully without special equipment, and all will freeze firm in the ice-making compartment of a refrigerator. Freezer owners will need to ripen rock-hard ices in the refrigerator before serving.

Fresh limes make a sharply refreshing sorbet. The recipe works equally well with lemons or two grapefruits substituted for the limes.

Lime Sorbet

Makes about 1 litre (1¾ pints)

4 limes
1 orange
450 ml (¾ pint) water
225g (8oz) granulated sugar
2 egg whites
2 tablespoons icing sugar

Cut the peel from the limes and orange using a very sharp knife or potato peeler and taking care not to include the bitter white pith. Put the peel in a pan with the water and sugar and heat slowly together until the sugar has dissolved completely. Raise the heat and boil the syrup for five minutes, then set it aside to cool.

Squeeze the juice from the fruit. Combine the syrup with the juice and strain the mixture. Pour it into a freezer tray, cover and freeze until the edges have set firm and the centre is still liquid or slushy.

Beat the egg whites until foamy, add the icing sugar and continue beating until the meringue holds a stiff peak.

Tip the partially frozen ice into a chilled bowl and beat it until smooth. Add the meringue and whisk lightly together. Return the mixture to the freezer and freeze until firm. (A second beating is occasionally necessary for ices frozen in the ice-making compartment of a small refrigerator.)

Nut ice creams are particularly good, and this walnut ice, made with brown sugar and a dash of sherry, is no exception.

Walnut ice cream

Makes about 1 litre (1¾ pints)

3 egg yolks
170g (6oz) soft brown sugar
pinch of salt
300ml (½ pint) milk
300ml (½ pint) double cream
2 tablespoons iced water
85g (3oz) shelled walnuts, chopped
4 tablespoons sweet sherry

Beat together the egg yolks, sugar and salt until the mixture is pale and fluffy. Whisk in the milk and pour the mixture into a saucepan.

Cook the mixture on a low heat, stirring constantly, until the custard is thick enough to coat the back of a wooden spoon. Set the custard aside and stir it occasionally while it cools. Chill it well.

Whip the cream with the iced water until it forms soft peaks. Combine the chilled custard with the whipped cream, walnuts and sherry and whisk them lightly together. Pour into a freezer tray, cover and freeze until the edges have set firm and the centre is still liquid or slushy.

Tip the partially frozen ice into a chilled bowl and beat it until smooth. Return it to the freezer tray and freeze until firm.

A very easy ice which is so rich that it needs no stirring while it freezes is this chocolate ice cream made with condensed milk and double cream. Chips of candied orange peel or slivers of toasted almond are possible additions to the basic mixture.

Rich chocolate ice cream

Makes about 1 litre (1¾ pints)

175 ml (6 fl oz) sweetened condensed milk
110 g 4 oz dark chocolate
1 teaspoon vanilla extract or flavouring
350 ml (12 fl oz) double cream
3 tablespoons iced water

Tip the condensed milk into a small saucepan, break the chocolate over it and heat gently together until the chocolate has melted. Cool then chill the mixture.

Whip the cream with the vanilla and iced water until it holds a soft peak. Combine the whipped cream with the chocolate mixture and whisk them lightly together. Pour the mixture into a freezer tray, cover and freeze until firm.

A glimmer of hope in the nuclear threat

In discussing the aftermath of a nuclear war, most people assume a malformed human race suffering the effects of widespread genetic mutations and radiation-induced disease.

Such speculation ignores the few facts available. As yet the only reliable evidence of the effects of nuclear bombs comes from the sufferings of the Japanese at Hiroshima and Nagasaki; and in some ways it is reassuring.

The Japanese had no nuclear shelters; nor did they use their conventional shelters, for the all-clear was sounded at Hiroshima some minutes before the atomic bomb was dropped from a sunlit sky at 8.15 am on August 6 1945.

About 65,000 people were killed outright or died within a few weeks of burns, blast injuries, or radiation sickness. Fires started by the explosion probably accounted for one quarter of the deaths. The damage to survivors from radiation was due firstly to the intense burst of neutrons emitted as the bomb exploded and, secondly, to the radioactive fallout that settled on the city in the aftermath.

The radioactive material in dust and rainfall is made up of hundreds of different radioactive isotopes—unstable variants of chemical elements which emit radioactive particles and electromagnetic rays until they revert to a stable form. The isotopes that make up the fallout from a nuclear explosion vary enormously in their "half lives"—the time required for half their atoms to disintegrate. Some have half lives measured in millions of years, but in others the radioactive disintegration is complete in a fraction of a second. Strontium-90, the best-known product of the nuclear test explosions of the 1950s, has a half life of 28 years (so that only one eighth of the total dose of radiation from strontium-90 from test explosions had been delivered by 1967, 10 years after the test ban treaty of 1958).

Most fallout generated by a nuclear explosion is swept up into the stratosphere and widely disseminated. The radiation from fallout at or near the site of the explosion rapidly diminishes, since much of it is due to isotopes with short half lives. If the radiation at one hour is taken as a reference point it will have declined by 90 per cent within seven hours and by 99 per cent within two days.

Despite the devastating mortality at Hiroshima, survival was 95 per cent or better in those more than 2,000 yards from the explosion. These survivors were exposed both to immediate radiation and to fallout.

Their health has been studied in great detail in a joint Japanese/American project, the Radiation Effects Research Foundation. An account of its work in the *American Journal of Pathology* (1980, 98, 843-53) provides some facts against which to set current nuclear fears.

Firstly, nuclear radiation is known to induce cancers, and especially leukaemia. The Hiroshima bomb caused leukaemia, reaching a peak in young adults about 10 years after the explosion and later in older victims. But in absolute numbers the mortality from leukaemia has not been overwhelming: among the 54,000 people exposed to intense radiation within 2,500 yards there have so far been 85 more deaths than would have been expected in a normal population. A similar pattern has been seen with other cancers.

Some women who were pregnant at the time of the explosion gave birth to children with small skulls and mental handicap. Young children exposed directly to radiation have grown less than normal. But the new generation of Hiroshima Japanese—those whose parents were irradiated but survived—seem healthy, with no evidence of altered chromosomes or any increase in congenital deformities.

The foundation is still (and rightly) cautious. Thirty-five years after the bomb its effects are still being seen as younger survivors enter the age range at which cancer is most common. The 12,000 children born to survivors will remain under medical surveillance.

Hiroshima suffered only one atomic bomb, small by current standards. What the effects of more and larger bombs might be can only be guessed. Even so, the conclusion that can be drawn from Hiroshima is that precautions should be concentrated on protection from the immediate effects of a nuclear explosion—blast, fire, and radiation. The longer-term dangers may be less horrendous than our fears suggest.

Dr Tony Smith
Medical Correspondent

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THEATRES

ADELPHI S CC 01-836 7611 Evgs at 7.30. Sats 4.0 & 7.45. Mats. Thursdays at 3.0 TONY BRITTON LIZ ROBERTSON, PETER BAYLISS and ANNA NEAGLE in THE WORLD'S GREATEST MUSICAL MY FAIR LADY "A MARVELLOUS SHOW"—Now. "SPECTACULAR"—D. Express "STUNNING"—Time Out. "A VITALITY AND VIGOUR ONE RARELY SEES ON THE STAGE OF A BRITISH MUSICAL"—Ev. Standard. For Group Bookings Telephone 01-836 7358 or 01-379 6061.

ALBERY—OMEGA REPERTOIRE: ACCIDENTAL DEATH OF AN ANARCHIST, OLIVER!, ONCE IN A LIFETIME, PIAF, THE HOTHOUSE, & TOMFOOLERY. See also Theatre listings. Red. prices. GROUP BOOKINGS 836 3962 CREDIT CARD SALES 379 6565 from 9 am. all major cards. No bkg fees. 'S' Standby.

ALBERY. S. 836 3878. Evgs. 7.45. Mats. Thur. & Sat. 3.00. "A Thousand Times Welcome is Lionel Bart's Miraculous Musical."—F.T. OLIVER! GEORGE LAYTON, HELEN SHAPIRO CHILD FREE with ADULT Air cond.

ALDWYCH. S 836 6404 cc 379 6233 (10-6, Sats. 10-4). Info. 836 5332. Fully air conditioned. ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY THE LIFE AND ADVENTURES OF NICHOLAS NICKLEBY by Charles Dickens. Pt. 2. Low price previews. Ton't, tomor., Sat. 7.00 Pt. 1. Sat. 2.00. The two parts are designed to be seen in sequence, but each part can be enjoyed as a separate work.

AMBASSADORS. 01-836 1171 Evgs. 8: Sats. 5 & 8. MARGARET LOCKWOOD POLLY JAMES in MOTHERDEAR by ROYCE RYTON (author of "Crown Matrimonial") FINEST APPRAISAL OF THE TRUE STORY OF EDWARD VII's QUEEN Why did she condone his mistresses? What were the secret fears of the Queen they called "Motherdear".

APOLLO THEATRE. S cc. 01-437 2663 Parties 01-379 6061. Mon.-Fri. 8.0. Wed. 3.0. Sat. 5.0 & 8.15. Wed. mat. half price. JANE ASHER, MICHAEL GOUGH PHYLLIS CALVERT BEFORE THE PARTY "A COMEDY REALLY WORTH SEEING" D. Tel. by Rodney Ackland. Story by W. Somerset Maugham. Directed by TOM CONTI.

ARTS THEATRE S 836 2132/3334 M-Th 8.30. F&S 7, 9.15. TOM STOPPARD'S DIRTY LINEN. "Hilarious . . . see it"—S. Times. NOW IN ITS FIFTH YEAR. Lowest-price best seats in West End. Last 3 weeks.

CAMBRIDGE. 01-836 6056. Credit cards 01-836 7040. Mon. to Fri 8.0 Thurs 3.0. Sat 5.0 & 8.30. Voted Best Musical of the Year in 1980. Plays and Players London Theatre Critics Awards. Also Francis King. Sun Tel. 2nd triumphant year! CHICAGO JACQUIE TOYE, COLIN BENNETT, BRIAN HEWLETT, G. LYONS. Fantastic party discounts for 10 or more. 379 6061 & 836 6056. Students, Nurses, OAPs standby £1.50.

CHICHESTER FESTIVAL THEATRE. 0243 781312. Season sponsored by Martini & Rossi Ltd. TERRANOVA EPIC STUFF. E. Stn. Tonight, Sat. (M) THE LAST OF MRS CHEYNEY, today (M) Fri., Sat. Evgs 7.0 Mats Thurs. & Sat. 2.0.

CHURCHILL 460 6677/5838 Bromley, Kent. 7.45 Sat. 5 & 8. Thurs. 3 KENNETH FARRINGTON, CORAL ATKINS and JESSIE EVANS in Alan Bennett's GETTING ON.

COMEDY THEATRE cc 01-930 2578 Mon-Sat 9.0. Mats Fri & Sat 6.30 THE ROCKY HORROR SHOW Group Sales Box Office 01-579 6061 LAST 14 WEEKS

COTTESLOE (N.T.'s small auditorium—all tkts. £3.00. Student standby £1.50). Ton't. & Tomor. 8.0 EARLY DAYS by David Storey.

CRITERION, Air cond 930 3216. Evgs. 8, Fri & Sat 6 & 8.45. ROBIN RAY, JONATHAN ADAMS, MARTIN CONNOR, TRICIA GEORGE "Put over with great style" E. News. TOMFOOLERY The words, music and lyrics of TOM LEHRER ". . . stirred last night's audience to a rapture. They stood and cheered" D. Mail. "The whole evening exudes a witty and civilised gaiety" Gd. "Refreshing, stylish, buoyant . . . the jokes now sound wiser and wittier than ever" D. Tel.

DUCHESS TH. S cc 01-836 8243. Grp Sales 379 6061. Evgs 8, Sat 5.30 & 8.30. Thur Mats 3. MARIA AITKEN MICHAEL JAYSTON in Noel Coward's PRIVATE LIVES "A GLITTERING PRODUCTION" S. Tms. "A NIGHT OF SIZZLING MAGIC" D. Mail.

DUKE OF YORKS c.c. 836 5122 GLENDA JACKSON "Superlative performance", D. Tel. ROSE A new play by Andrew Davies. "Restores one's faith in new writing." Guardian. "A Crock of gold". F.T. "A play of such universal appeal I can't recommend an immediate visit too highly." D. Mail. Evgs 8.0. Mats Wed. 3.00 and Sat. 5.00. Over 100 totally sold out performances

FORTUNE S cc 01-836 2238. Evgs 7.30. Wed 3.30, Sat 4.0 & 8.0. "By Far The Best Production of Marlowe's masterpiece" DR FAUSTUS I have seen" Times. Cast includes JAMES AUBREY and PATRICK MAGEE.

GARRICK (S) cc 01-836 4601 Evgs 8.0 (sharp), Fri. & Sat. 5.30 & 8.30 WILLIAM FRANKLYN in DEATHTRAP "THE BEST THRILLER", D. Tel.

GLOBE TH. (S) cc 01-437 1592. Grp. Sales 379 6061. Evgs. 8, Mat. Wed. 3, Sat. 5 & 8.15. "Theatre of the highest order" D.M. BERYL REID BARRY FOSTER PETER BOWLES JAN WATERS in a new play by Peter Nichols BORN IN THE GARDENS "MARVELLOUSLY FUNNY" D. Exp. Thank heavens for Peter Nichols. Hilarious and perceptive", D. Exp. "THE BEST NEW PLAY TO BE SEEN IN LONDON FOR OVER A YEAR. UNFORGETTABLE. RICH IN LAUGHTER & TEARS". F. Tm.

GREENWICH THEATRE (S) cc 01-858 7755. Evenings 7.30, Mats. Sat. 2.30 JOHN BULL'S OTHER ISLAND by Bernard Shaw. "A rich play . . . well revived." Gdn. "Theatrical excitement . . . Shaw at the peak of his powers" S. Times. "Very much recommended" F.T. "This masterpiece" The Times.

HAMPSTEAD 722 9301 Evgs. 8. Sat. mat. 4.30 HAROLD PINTER THE HOTHOUSE "A PLUM. PINTER AT HIS BEST" E. News. "AN ELECTRIFYING PIECE OF THEATRE" F.T. Out. MUST END SAT. TRANSFERS TO AMBASSADORS THEATRE 24 JUNE.

HAYMARKET. Theatre Royal. cc 01-930 9832. Evgs. 7.45. Wed. 2.30. Sat. 4.30 & 8.0. LEONARD ROSSITER PRUNELLA SCALES in MICHAEL FRAYN'S MAKE AND BREAK Directed by MICHAEL BLAKEMORE "THE BEST NEW PLAY—ALSO VERY FUNNY" OBS. "ABSOLUTELY NOT TO BE MISSED" S. TIMES.

THEATRES

HER MAJESTY'S THEATRE. 930 6606. Matinee today at 3.0 KEITH MICHELL JULIA McKENZIE, MARK WYNTER ANN BEACH in ON THE 20th CENTURY Hailed by the Observer as "THE TOWN'S BEST MUSICAL" Evgs. 8. Matinees Weds. 3. Sats. 4. NOW BOOKING UNTIL CHRISTMAS. Instant credit card bookings 930 6606.

ICA THEATRE 930 3647 Foco Novo present QUANTRILL IN LAWRENCE by Bernard Pomerance ". . . a triumph of imagination" Gdn To Sat. 8.00.

KINGS HEAD. 01-226 1916. Dnr. 7. Show 8. Ends Sat! Innocelies presents I'M PAT, HE'S JUST THE PIANIST, with Pat Abernethy & Dave Marsden.

LYRIC HAMMERSMITH. cc 01-741 2311. Evgs. 7.30, Thur. Mat. 2.30, Sats. 5 & 8.15 TRAVELLING NORTH by David Williamson. Cast includes Rosemary Leach & Peter Vaughan. LYRIC STUDIO: Last 3 perfs.—Ton't., tomor. & Sat. at 8, LIVINGSTON & SECHELE a comedy by David Pownall "two superb actors Peter Kelly & Joe Marcell . . . Anni Domingo & Jennifer Piercey create memorable characters" Times. From 19 June Edward Duke in JEEVES TAKES CHARGE by P. G. Wodehouse.

LYRIC THEATRE S cc 01-437 3686. Group Sales 379 6061. Evgs. 8. Weds. 3. Sat. 5 & 8. RICHARD BRIERS PAUL EDDINGTON in "An unusually truthful and intelligent comedy." The Observer. MIDDLE AGE SPREAD "Delightfully funny." Dly. Express. COMEDY OF THE YEAR WEST END THEATRE AWARDS

LYTTELTON (N.T.'s proscenium stage): Last 2 perfs. Today 3.00 (low price mat.) & 7.45 WHEN WE ARE MARRIED by J. B. Priestley. Tomor. 7.45 THE BROWNING VERSION/HARLEQUINADE.

MAY FAIR Theatre S cc 01-629 3036. Evgs at 8.0 until June 14. First West End season of the globally acclaimed ADAM DARIUS with MARITA PHILLIPS. Mime artistes, compelling . . . the audience greeted the couple's finale with rapture. J. Tinker, D. Mail.

NATIONAL THEATRE 'S' cc 928 2252 FOR REPERTOIRE SEE SEPARATE ENTRIES UNDER OLIVIER LYTTELTON/COTTESLOE. Car park. Restaurant 928 2033. Credit card bkgs 928 3052. Air-conditioning. TOURS OF THE BUILDING daily (incl. backstage) £1.25. Inf. 633 0880.

OLD VIC. 928 7616. June 3-21. STEPS NOTES AND SQUEAKS. Marina Gielgud, Robert Helpmann, Svetlana Beriosova, Anton Dolin. Evgs 7.30. June 24-July 19. Bristol Old Vic Company. A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM. Save 25% on 6 great plays. Phone 01-928 6111 for details.

OLIVIER (N.T.'s open stage): Ton't. Tomor. 7.30 AMADEUS by Peter Shaffer.

OPEN AIR REGENT'S PARK cc S 486 2431 MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING with Gary Raymond, Annabel Leventon, Bernard Bresslaw Evgs 7.45. Mats Wed. Thurs & Sat 2.30.

PALACE. cc S. 01-437 6834 Mon.-Thur. 8.0. Fri. & Sat. 6.0 & 8.40 JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR Group sales box office 01-379 6061 LAST 11 WEEKS

PALACE. S cc. 01-437 6834. From Sept. 17. Rodgers and Hammerstein's OKLAHOMA!

PALLADIUM cc 01-437 7373 YUL BRYNNER in RODGERS & HAMMERSTEIN'S THE KING AND I also starring Virginia McKenna HOTLINE 01-437 2055 Evening 7.30, Mats. Wed. & Sat. 2.45. Some good seats available for Wednesday matinees.

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PHOENIX S cc. 01-836 2294. cc bookings 01-836 8611. Opening June 18 at 7.0. Subs. Evgs. at 8.0. Mats. Weds. 3.0. Sats. 5.30 & 8.30. Special low prices—limited season only. ROYCE RYTON & PAUL JERRICHO in THE OTHER SIDE OF THE SWAMP by ROYCE RYTON DIRECTED BY JOAN KEMP WELCH

PICCADILLY. From 9 am 437 4506 c.c. bkgs. 379 6565 Grp. bkgs. 836 3962. Fully air conditioned. ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY in two smash-hit productions. Today (low price mat.) 2.30 & 7.30. tomor. 7.30, Sat. 4.00 & 8.00. Hart & Kaufman's "Spectacular Hollywood extravaganza", E. News. ONCE IN A LIFETIME with 5 award winning perfs. from Carmen Du Sautoy, Richard Griffiths and Zoë Wanamaker. "Must be seen if only to be believed" S. Times And Pam Gems' adult play PIAF (next perf. 20 June). PIAF plays Fri. thru. Wed. alt. wks., all other perfs. LIFETIME. RSC also at Aldwych and Warehouse Theatres.

PRINCE EDWARD cc 01-437 6877 Evs. 8.0 Mats. Thur. & Sat. 3.0 EVITA by Tim Rice & Andrew Lloyd Webber Directed by Harold Prince Group Sales Box Office 379 6061

PRINCE OF WALES 930 8681 Credit Card Bookings 930 0846 An evening with TOMMY STEELE and his company SHOWBUSINESS PERSONALITY OF THE YEAR—Variety Club Award "THE SHOW I LOVE" Parkinson. BBC TV SPECTACULAR . . . DAZZLING ENTERTAINMENT" S. Tel. Mon Thurs. 8.30. Fri. & Sat. 6.0 & 8.50.

QUEEN'S S CC. 01-734 1166 Evenings 8.0. Sat. 4.30 & 8.0. TOM COURTENAY FREDDIE JONES in THE DRESSER "RONALD HARWOOD'S WITTY AND WARMHEARTED COMEDY" Evg. Stan. Directed by MICHAEL ELLIOTT "THE PLAY IS A DELIGHT" D. Exp. "VERY ENJOYABLE" Obs. Group sales Box office 01-379 6061.

RAINBOW THEATRE. The spectacular stage version of The Hitch Hikers Guide To The Galaxy. Opens July 14th. Tickets £3, £4, and £5. Ring 935 4147 for details.

RAYMOND REVUEBAR cc 734 1593 At 7, 9, 11 pm. Open Suns. Paul Raymond presents THE FESTIVAL OF EROTICA. New Acts! New Girls! New Thrills! 23rd sensational year! Fully air conditioned.

RIVERSIDE STUDIOS 01-748 3354. Evgs. 7.30. Sat. mat. 3.30. JULIUS CAESAR by Shakespeare. Director Peter Gill. "thrilling . . . Riverside's finest offering to date" Obs.

ROYAL COURT S cc 730 1745 HAMLET with Jonathan Pryce as Hamlet, Jill Bennett as Gertrude. Evgs. 7.30 sharp. From June 20. World Premiere THE ARBOR by Andrea Dunbar.

ROYAL COURT THEATRE UPSTAIRS. 730 2554. Evgs at 8. SEDUCED by Sam Shepard. No late-comers.

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SAVOY THEATRE. 01-836 8888. CC: 836 8113. (Mon-Fri. 10-6). LESLIE PHILLIPS "is something of a marvel" The Times. Diana COUPLAND Ilona ANDERSON NOT NOW DARLING Mon-Thurs. 8.00. Fri and Sat. 5.15 and 8.45. Red. prices Fri. mat. Red. Group bkgs. 01-839 3092.

SHAW 01-388 1394 Evgs. 7.30. Mats. Wed. & Fri 2.30. Last 2 wks. PYGMALION with "Top class Performances by PAULA WILCOX and DONALD PICKERING" F.T. "This Eliza wins every heart" D. Tel. "Would have delighted G.B.S." S. Tel. Low prices. Easy parking.

ST GEORGE'S THEATRE, Tufnell Park N.7. Evgs. 7.30. 21 hr Bkg. 607 1128 Tues & Wed: The Merchant of Venice Thur to Sat: Macbeth. ". . . one gets orthodox presentation with more than a touch of the blustery Elizabethan atmosphere." D. Tel.

ST. MARTIN'S. cc 836 1443 Evgs. 8.0. Tue. 2.45. Sat. 5 & 8. AGATHA CHRISTIE'S THE MOUSETRAP 28TH YEAR Theatre is fully Air-Conditioned

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STRATFORD-UPON-AVON. Royal Shakespeare Theatre (0789) 292271. Tickets immediately available for RSC in ROMEO AND JULIET today (mat. & eve.), tomor., June 13 (mat.), AS YOU LIKE IT June 16, 19, 20 Recorded booking info. (0789) 69191.

THEATRE ROYAL, Stratford, E.15 (nr. Stratford Tube) 534 0310. Ton't 8 pm ALBION BAND in concert with guests. Tomor. 8 pm Rock Night with RICHARD & LINDA THOMPSON plus Support.

THEATRE ROYAL, Drury Lane. 836 8108 SWEENEY TODD BROADWAY SMASH HIT MUSICAL Red. price previews June 25, 3.30, 7.30, July 1. 7.30 Opens July 2 Group Sales Box Office 379 6061.

THEATRES

VAUDEVILLE. c.c. S 01-836 9988. Grp Sales 379 6061. Eves 8. Sats 5.30 & 8.30. Wed. mat. 2.45. Air Cond. IAN OGILVY SHEILA GISH JAMES COSSINS STAGE STRUCK "A SPLENDID NEW THRILLER FROM SIMON GRAY" The Times "A COMEDY-THRILLER BOTH COMIC AND THRILLING" F. Times.

VICTORIA PALACE cc 01-828 4735-6 01-834 1317 Evng. 7.30, Mats. Wed. & Sat. 2.45 ANNIE "ONE OF THE MOST MAGNIFICENT MUSICALS YOU WILL EVER SEE" People.

WAREHOUSE, Donmar Theatre Covent Garden S Box Office 836 6808. ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY Ton't and all week 7.30, premiere EDUCATING RITA by Willy Russell. All seats £3.50, students £2.00 bookable in advance.

WHITEHALL THEATRE 930 7765 cc Paul Raymond presents FIONA RICHMOND and a Bedful of Beauties in WOT! NO PYJAMAS! featuring Men Only Magazine's Sensational Playmates of the Year. Evgs. 8.30. Fri. & Sat. 6.15 & 8.45.

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YOUNG VIC 01-928 6363. Evgs. 7.30 Sats. 4.30 & 8.00 ROSENCRANTZ AND GUILDENSTERN ARE DEAD.

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TALK OF THE TOWN. 01-734 5051, Air-conditioning. Credit cards. LONDON'S GREAT NIGHT OUT From 8.00. Dining & Dancing 9.30 SUPER REVUE "BUBBLY" at 11: GRACE KENNEDY DANCING TILL 1 A.M.

CINEMAS

ABC 1 & 2 Shaftesbury Ave. 836 8861 Sep perfs. ALL SEATS BOOKABLE. 1: THE WANDERERS (X) Wk. & Sun. 1.30, 4.40, 7.55. 2: AMERICAN GIGOLO (X) Wk. & Sun. 1.40, 4.50, 8.00 (Last 7 days). Special Late Show Fri. 11.20 FRIDAY THE 13TH (X).

ACADEMY 1. 437 2981. Marcel Carné's LES ENFANTS DU PARADIS (A). Perfs: 1.00, 4.20, 7.40. ACADEMY 2. 437 5129. Franco Brusati's FORGET VENICE (X). Progs. 1.50, 4.00, 6.10, 8.25. ACADEMY 3. 437 8819. Alpinocci's THE WANDERER (A). progs. 4.30, 6.40, 8.50, inc. Suns.

CAMDEN PLAZA, Camden Town. 485 2443 (Opp. Tube) ANDREI TARKOVSKY'S long awaited masterpiece MIRROR (U). Progs 4.15, 6.30, 8.50.

COLUMBIA Shaftesbury Ave. (734 5414). KRAMER Vs KRAMER (A) Cont. progs. 1.15 (not Sun.) 3.20, 5.45, 8.15. Late night show Sat 11.00.

CURZON, Curzon St., W1. 499 3737. GET OUT YOUR HANDKERCHIEFS (X) (English Subtitles). Progs at 1.45 (not Sun.), 3.55, 6.10, 8.30. "An outrageous French sex comedy". E. News. Last 7 days.

DOMINION Tott. Crt. Rd. (580 9562) A BRIDGE TOO FAR (A). Sep. progs. Dly., 2.45, 7.10.

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GATE CINEMA, Nott. Hill. 221 0220/727 5750. ANGI VERA (A). Progs. 1.00, 3.00, 5.00, 7.00, 9.00. NIGHTHAWKS (X) & PUMPING IRON (A), 11.15 p.m.

GATE TWO CINEMA, 837 8402/1177 Russ. Sq. Tube. A SLAVE OF LOVE (A) last 7 days. Progs. 3.00, 5.00, 7.00, 9.00. THE MAN IN THE WHITE SUIT (U) & KIND HEARTS AND CORONETS (U) 11.00 p.m. Lic'd. bar.

LEICESTER SQUARE THEATRE (930 5252) THE FINAL COUNTDOWN (A). Sep. progs. dly. 1.30, 4.55, 8.10. Late night show Fri and Sat 11.45. Seats may be booked in advance at box office or by post for 8.10 programme Mon.-Fri. & all progs. Sat. & Sun. No late Night Show Booking.

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ODEON HAYMARKET (930 2738/2771). THE TIN DRUM (X). Sep. progs. wks. 1.50, 4.50, 8.10. Sun 4.30, 7.45. Late night show Fri. & Sat. 11.30. All seats may be booked at box office.

ODEON, LEICESTER SQUARE (930 6111). The STAR WARS Saga continues with THE EMPIRE STRIKES BACK (U). In 70mm and Dolby Sound. Sep. progs. Drs. Open Dly. 12.00, 3.45, 7.30. Late night show Thurs., Fri. & Sat. Drs Open 11.15. All seats may be booked in advance at theatre box office or by post.

ODEON MARBLE ARCH, W.2. (723 2011/2) KRAMER vs KRAMER (A). Sep. progs. Drs. Open Dly. 1.15 (not Sun.), 4.15, 7.45. Late night show Sat Drs Open 11.15. Evenings progs. & weekends may be booked.

PLAZA 1, 2, 3, 4, off Piccadilly Circus. 437 1234. Advance booking facilities same as EMPIRE Leicester Square. No telephone bookings. *1. AMERICAN GIGOLO (X). Sep progs daily 1.00 (not Suns), 3.25, 5.50, 8.25. *2. MISSION GALACTICA: THE CYLON ATTACK (U). Sep progs daily 1.00 (not Suns), 3.30, 6.00, 8.30. *3. MONTY PYTHON'S LIFE OF BRIAN (AA). Sep progs daily 1.00 (not Suns), 3.20, 6.00, 8.35. *4. KING OF THE GYPSIES (AA). Sep progs daily 1.00 (not Suns), 3.20, 5.45, 8.30. * No Smoking Area.

PRINCE CHARLES Leic Sq. 437 8181. Mel Brooks BLAZING SADDLES (AA), 2.10, 5.40, 9.10. MONTY PYTHON AND THE HOLY GRAIL (A), 3.55, 7.25. Lte Show Fri & Sat 10.35. Cont. Dly. Lic'd Bar.

SCREEN ON THE HILL. 435 3366. Derek Jarman's THE TEMPEST AA. 2.55, 5.05, 7.15, 9.35. BROKEN ENGLISH AA. 3.30, 4.40, 6.50, 9.00. Ring 435 9787 for phone bookings.

STUDIO 3, Oxford Circus. 437 3300. Lic'd bar. THE DEER HUNTER (X) 12.45, 4.05, 7.30. Lte. show Fri. & Sat. 10.50.

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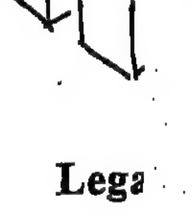

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idle song of the best screen al Vincente Minelli ever ted inevitably flickers gh the mind on the ap- h to that Missouri city. remains of the World's of 75 years ago, which ed everything from primi- Filipino tribes to Count McCormack in the Irish on, towards which Judy nd sang her way: a few ngs, one of which is now rt Museum, a lake and largest birdcage in the . But Minelli's lyricists bly got nowhere near the est. The Louis of Saint is pronounced not ay" but "Lewes", as in ebourne.

Glyndebourne is the tag ably attached to the Saint Opera Festival, which in mid-course. Practically midsummer American l celebration surrounded few strips of grass is bed as "The Glynde- s of *******", usually tics as unfamiliar with as those *Minelli* lyric- s were with Missouri. It the Opera Theatre of Louis encourages its pat- picnic on the lawn out- e theatre: a cold supper unnet complete with an reen bow costs little han $7.50, but a feast in sket with champagne ican) sets the consumer 30. And the theatres are lar size.

ofter the differences The Saint Louis house, belongs to the university ster Groves—did ever a have a more encyclo- neme?—has a thrust nd a sunken pit, so that is played in the three- round. All the perform- re given in English and gers practically without on are home-grown an. This summer's roster one Puerto Rican and madien, but the net is o wider than that.

rd Gaddes, who created tival five years ago, is ut the only Englishman ht, apart from Colin , who is directing *The Flute* and *The Turn of w*. Gaddes had a brief Glyndebourne before to the Santa Fe Opera with John Crosby. When to Saint Louis in 1975 had its orchestra but else apart from the al Opera, known to all Muny, which plays Your Best Musicals, or some in one of the parks mmer. He started with of $130,000, which has n to a figure a few short of $1m, and in t season could not even to paper the house. ter attendance figures improved mightily. Gaddes, though, has never veered from his aim to provide a platform for young native singers under conditions which are likely to develop their voices rather than strain them. The conductor of *Falstaff*, Bruce Ferden, took an age-count of his cast and found out that they averaged 31 summers a head; the figure for *The Magic Flute* would probably have been nearer 25 or 26. Probably three quarters of the singers in Saint Louis at the moment are performing their roles on stage for the first time.

Erie Mills (Nanetta) and Jerry Hadley (Fenton) in *Falstaff*.

Richard Gaddes has two main aims. "The first is to provide opera for a city which was starved of that art for a long, long time. That had at least one built-in advantage: by starting from scratch there was at least a chance of persuading our audience from time to time to try the unknown. The other is to give performing experience to young American singers in a theatre which is not too large. I wanted to reverse the trend of artists dashing off for European engagements the moment they had left college. There are signs that is happening, although most of our houses here are far too big".

So what do those appearing in Saint Louis do when the season closes at the end of this month? Gaddes shrugs his shoulders in resignation: "Most of them rush off and sing in large houses."

During his five years in Saint Louis Gaddes has moved his company from being a small regional organization to one which is very much in the national spotlight, particularly as far as talent-scouts from other theatres are concerned. All the productions are new each year because there is nowhere to store scenery once the season is over, and the repertory formula has become fairly well established: one Mozart, a "meat and potatoes" work, a new opera and a neglected one. Richard Gaddes must be one of the very few intendants in the world to favour the double bill, which he uses quite deliberately to widen the range of what is on offer.

This season's "neglected" piece was to have been Prokofiev's one-acter *Maddalena*, but the question of rights proved difficult and the project has been postponed, perhaps until next year. Saint Louis was left with a hole to fill by the side of the second half of the bill, the Brecht-Weill *Seven Deadly Sins*, until one of *Gaddes's* assistants came up with *Spiel oder Ernst* by Emil von Reznicek.

There are several musicians known as one-opera composers; Reznicek has the unhappy distinction of being a one-overture composer, that to *Donna Diana*, a stand-by of light music festivals the world over. Reznicek was 70 when he composed *Spiel oder Ernst*, or *Fact or Fiction* as it becomes in the translation by Henry Pleasants, a name well known to BBC listeners and Herald Trib readers. The premiere in Dresden in 1930 was conducted by Fritz Busch.

On the page it looks a little like the Prologue to Strauss's *Ariadne* and the Saint Louis set could easily have doubled for that opera; on stage it has more the flavour of a larky version of the same composer's *Intermezzo*. The scene is a rehearsal of Rossini's *Otello*, from which Reznicek borrows extensively—a dangerous practice quoting from composers who write better tunes than you do, yet more dangerous still, surely, to have quoted from Verdi's version. The Otello, who is not opera's greatest actor, is provoked into giving a moderately dramatic display in the role by the apparent philandering of his wife, who happens to be playing Desdemona. Reznicek, who was for a long time conductor of the Berlin Opera, was clearly getting his own back on some of the *monstres sacrés* with whom he had to tussle. Melchior? Roswaenge? And he equally clearly casts himself in the role of Peuelmano, the repetiteur and failed composer, who briefly establishes a brotherhood with the tenor in their joint hatred of the critics. Mark Tiarks's sharp and well drilled production makes much of this.

Reznicek's own melodies are a little short-winded; like Meyerbeer, he is adept at starting off tunes and then seems uncertain where to take them. The hour-long score is thoroughly enjoyable rather than thoroughly distinguished. Alma Jean Smith and Michael Myers played the tenor and soprano with panache, the operatic equivalent of Rattigan's portrait of the Lunts in *Harlequinade*, but the performance of the evening was Marc Embree's put-upon Peuelmann.

Fact or Fiction is well worth the attention of other companies, but I am constantly surprised to find managements falling for the temptations of the other half of the double bill, the Brecht-Weill *Seven Deadly Sins*. It may well have looked and sounded impressive with Losch and Lenya at the premiere, but I have never seen its case argued convincingly. Saint Louis may well have been attracted by the "Southern" setting, as the two Annas go off from Louisiana on their bizarre American itinerary. But it was clear that Brecht knew nothing about the Mississippi and, on the evidence of this production choreographed by James Cunningham, the Mississippi does not know too much about Brecht. The dancing Anna, Jennifer Donohue, cut a credible figure, but the singing Anna was woefully miscast. Every festival is entitled to one lemon. This was it. Oddly, it was played after the Reznicek: the order must be reversed.

The season's opener, *The Magic Flute* inaugurated a cycle of Mozart operas. *Figaro* comes next summer, followed by *Cosi*, directed by Jonathan Miller, the year after. The theatre is the ideal size for Mozart and the great merit of Colin Graham's production is clarity and immediacy. He goes to admirable lengths to outline the dealings between Sarastro and the Queen of the Night that were going on before the curtain rises and is abetted by a very singable translation newly commissioned from Andrew Porter, which I suspect has become somewhat Americanized on its way to the stage. "I got lucky", says Papageno, and his Papagena has stepped straight from *Dallas*. On the other hand Mr Graham allows himself too many vulgarities: a make-shift dragon, Disney animals, and clanking skeletons for the trials of Tamino and Papageno. John Conklin's sets were similarly a mixture of good taste (the emblems of the sun and moon, the septagon on which the action takes place) and garishness.

The vocal side needs no such reservations. Saint Louis assembled a cast, young, good-looking, fast-moving, in which there were no weaknesses. Vinson Cole's Tamino, sung with keen lyric tone, was a model of musical good manners; Sheri Greenawald, who is also playing the Governess in this week's production of *The Turn of the Screw*, brought a welcome touch of anxiety and neurosis to Pamina, who after all has a lot to worry about—she will surely soon be heard in Britain; John Davies made a neat, lithe musical-comedy figure out of Papageno; Roseann Del George after an edgy first act gave a virtuoso account of the Queen of the Night's second aria. Once again Marc Embree, one of the company's best singers, caught the ear as the Sprecher. Only the conducting, heavy and inflexible, let down the musical side of this *Flute*.

The orchestra sounded much better under Bruce Ferden in *Falstaff* the next night. It is not the easiest of opera to produce on the open stage and an excess of movement in time to the music betrayed the choreographic training of Rhoda Levine, the director. But she has pace, an excellent sense of fun and a horror of boredom. The audience paid tribute to these skills by their reception of this masterpiece which is not always accessible on first hearing. The Nanetta and Fenton scored highest marks, perhaps inevitably in a young company: Jerry Hadley has much in common with his Glyndebourne counterpart this summer, Max Rene Cossotti while his intended, Erie Mills, was a delight. Carlos Serrano is potentially an interesting Ford, but should beware of forcing his voice. Maurice Brown's Falstaff was more lecher than drunkard, his timbre a shade fuzzy on the night I heard him. *Falstaff* though is an ensemble opera and it was the ability of this cast to perform with rather than against one another which made this such an invigorating evening.

In its fifth year Saint Louis Opera Theatre has almost come of age. Its main deficiency at the moment is orchestral; it needs young conductors of the calibre of the excellent young singers on stage, particularly if it is to go ahead with the present plan to stage the American premiere of *Gloriana* next summer. The answer probably is to engage one operatically experienced conductor to set the standards.

Richard Gaddes has created for two months in the year an opera company with specific and wholly admirable ideals. Characteristically, he is exceptionally modest about what he has achieved: "We have to be careful not to pretend we are something we are not. *Saint Louis* has not yet reached the point where I can say 'It's really going' and take a rest. We're not a major festival, we're a place for young American singers. And if, in the process of providing them with a platform, we can produce something that is definitive then I'll be very happy."

John Higgins

Harper/Baker
Aldeburgh Festival

William Mann

While Benjamin Britten was recuperating after his heart operation, unable as yet to resume composition, he turned to the works of his boyhood and was persuaded that, given some grammatical touching-up, some might be worth performing again one day. A case in point is the set of Four French Songs for soprano and orchestra, which Heather Harper sang at Snape on Tuesday night with the English Chamber Orchestra under Steuart Bedford. Britten was in his fifteenth year when he set the poems by Hugo and Verlaine; they were the first fruits of his composition lessons with Frank Bridge, and they find him already drawn to poetry in a foreign language, and to song with orchestral accompaniment, regular features of his adult creative work.

They are also remarkably assured in technique and expression for a boy of 14, the voice parts grateful, dovetailed into the orchestral music with some sophistication, not simply melody with accompaniment. The handling of full orchestra is sophisticated too, not less so because we can hear the music that the boy knew, and chose to imitate—Debussy in "Nuits de Juin" quite consistently, elsewhere some touches of post-Wagnerian English music and a blander manner which the teacher would recognize more easily than a listener 52 years later.

In their own right they are good songs, especially "Sagesse", though young Ben was evidently unaware that Verlaine's poem is about a young convict in prison. "L'enfance" is evocatively enhanced by instrumental quotations from French traditional songs. The older master corrected some faulty word-setting, but evidently did not need to improve much in the textures or forms of 1928. Miss Harper, much in sympathy with this early Britten, also gave fascinating accounts of early songs by Berg (with whom young Britten tried in vain to study at post-graduate level).

Earlier in the day Dame Janet Baker had given a brief recital with Martin Isepp, introducing to this country a song-cycle composed for her by the American Dominick Argento to extracts *From the Diary of Virginia Woolf*.

It is always a lesson to observe Dame Janet in musical combat, whether her formidable, dauntless artistry is ranged against the current transformation of her vocal instrument (as last Sunday), or against recalcitrant musical material, as in the Argento. The idea is promising, and the method, the sheer musical invention all too thin—but the singer's eloquence did much to conceal the ordinariness of the music.

LSO/Previn
Festival Hall

Paul Griffiths

Still retaining his association with the London Symphony Orchestra, André Previn returned on Tuesday for the first of six concerts spread over the next four weeks. He was originally billed to conduct Brahms and Tchaikovsky, but that programme underwent a curious total metamorphosis to yield eventually Prokofiev and Rachmaninov with only the key of the violin concerto D, staying the same. There was hardly cause for complaint, however when the change gave Mr Previn the chance to indulge repertory he does best.

Given his preference for the romantic, it was not surprising that, of the three works on the programme, Prokofiev's Classical Symphony seemed least to have been rehearsed. The violins were prone to squeak in the first two movements, and generally there was a lack of the polish, exactitude and dash needed to show this exercise as something fresh, and without which it sounded a chore.

Things went much better in the same composer's first violin concerto where Kyung-Wha Chung challenged the orchestra to excel themselves in purity and finesse, Mr Previn and his players responding with glorious transparent textures and, in the central Scherzo, a darting brilliance.

Coming after the interval, Rachmaninov's Third Symphony appeared even more cosmopolitan a product than the works of Prokofiev's early Russian years with a brassy bravado that comes easily to scores written for American orchestras, no matter what their provenance. Besides encouraging this, Mr Previn had his players swooning and scurrying, dragging and dancing as the mood of this most rambling symphony took them. What else can one do?

Mexico Philharmonic
Albert Hall

Max Harrison

It seemed unfortunate that the Mexico City Philharmonic did not include more works by Central American composers in their Tuesday evening concert. This was the first time in 21 years that London had heard a Mexican orchestra, and *Sensemaya* by Silvestre Revueltas went excellently, whereas in such very familiar pieces as Rachmaninov's Piano Concerto No 2 and the Symphony No 5 of Tchaikovsky they were bound to suffer in comparison with the numerous more seasoned ensembles heard here.

Only a few pieces by Revueltas are known to me, from records, and I am unable to say whether he deserves his usual labelling as the Bartok of Mexico. On hearing the pleasingly outlandish *Sensemaya* for the first time in person, it struck me as being not a mere imitation of popular styles but rather a stylized distillation of them. This "Chant to Cure a Snake" was originally written for voice and chamber orchestra in 1937, though we heard the version for large orchestra, without voice, made a year later. Percussion and brass predominate, and the brilliant coloured effect is barbaric yet, paradoxically, tightly controlled.

Not surprisingly, the conductor, Fernando Lozano, obtained what sounded like a highly idiomatic interpretation of this, but considerable reservations must be expressed about the other performances, especially of Rachmaninov's concerto. The various sections of the orchestra are quite well matched and ensemble was fair, yet there was little life to the sound as a whole, little animation to the phrasing.

There was some good solo playing, such as that from the first horn and first clarinet, but at climactic points, like the final appearance of the second subject of the finale, the effect was one of stiffness. Under these circumstances the soloist, Joaquin Achucarro, cannot be blamed for giving a routine performance.

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point, in short, is it a ntal work; and its t scene comes in a Syd- ery (where the newly- ide in by masquerading artist's parents) immediately before the death of Frank—who is characteristically taking down a Köchel number from the radio at the time. There are gaps in their biography, but their relationship carries total, and powerfully affecting, conviction.

"In Australia", the handout says, "you travel north into the sun", thus preparing you for something larger than a two-character romance. What the play chronicles is a last-minute escape from the prison of Australian urban life. You hear of its effect on Frank's son ("a right-wing real estate swindler"), and you see its effect on Frances's two daughters—one a miserably married social climber, the other a frustrated academic—who both bitterly resent their mother's decision to quit the nest.

The play is vindictively hard on these girls and it is all Jillian Murray and Carole Mowlam can do to rescue them from Frank's "Goneril and Regan" label. But they do form a vital part of the play's design. In Melbourne, it suggests, such people will never escape the conformist pressures: out in the wilds, an old reactionary like the lovers' neighbour Freddy (Jerold Wells) can change his views on the Vietnam draft dodgers, and a doctor (John Bryans) can waive medical protocol and let Frank test the drugs that suit him best. The human bond is all.

Mr Williamson tells his story in brief narrative-advancing scenes, usually equipped with excellent punch-lines; a device which releases biographical exposition bit by bit and allows you to share the honeymoon atmosphere before getting to know the characters in detail.

Michael Blakemore's production seizes on this method to extract all possible suspense and surprise from what, in retrospect, seems an inevitable cycle of events.

The decline of Peter Vaughan's Frank from a hale fisherman, raising his voice above the crashing surf, into a tetchy professional invalid, is one which the daughters forecast, and yet it comes as a powerful shock: likewise Rosemary Leach's transformation from a worried mother into an independent agent who finally cuts herself loose. These are both beautiful performances. No less beautiful are the first sight of Tanya McCallin's cottage, unveiled in full tropical glory to a triumphant blast of Vivaldi; and the closing image of the bereaved Frances, in strengthening sunlight, announcing that she is still travelling north.

Romeo and Juliet
Coliseum

John Percival

There was Rudolf Nureyev last Sunday on our television screens, dancing Romeo in the 1965 film of Kenneth MacMillan's Royal Ballet production, and here he is this week and next at the Coliseum, looking hardly a day older, and dancing Romeo in his own production for Festival Ballet.

Judged purely for the quality of its dance invention, Nureyev's *Romeo and Juliet* has many splendid moments and some rough edges. But judged as a theatrical production, it is a knock-out: the only version of Prokofiev's ballet in my experience (and offhand I can recall at least 10) that is really faithful to Shakespeare's story and characters.

Most of the principals in Tuesday's revival were dancing the roles they took at the ballet's creation. Patricia Ruanne is a Juliet who matches Nureyev's own full-blooded passion in the duets and brings a powerful sense of tragedy to the climaxes of the second and third acts. Elizabeth Anderton as her actively lecherous, gorgeously plump nurse and Valerie Aaitken as an anxious young Lady Capulet give her a convincing home background.

Nicholas Johnson's desperately funny Mercutio and Jonas Kaage's big, bland Benvolio give Romeo a run for his money in the high-spirited trios with which they pass time in the market square while waiting for news of Juliet. Frederic Jahn-Werner makes Tybalt a dangerous opponent, as slippery and poisonous as a snake. The crowd scenes, too, are splendidly done, with Michael Pink a focus of attention as a huge, foul-minded bully during the first big fight.

Playing as good as that in the rest of the cast brings out the best in Nureyev. This Romeo is a more complex character than the one BBC 2 showed us on Sunday, with even more dancing. Perhaps none of it is quite so flashingly impetuous as the best moments in the balcony scene of MacMillan's production, but there is tremendous variety, pace and sensibility in Nureyev's own choreography for himself.

During the coming month he is due to dance every performance at the Coliseum, with two programmes of the Zurich Ballet succeeding *Romeo* during the second half of the run. He looks in fine form for his marathon.

Festival Ballet's orchestra, under David Coleman's brisk direction, sustained on Tuesday the good standard of musical accompaniment which the Béjart company accustomed us to in that theatre last week. It is a long work but the time passes quickly.

Segal's first season at Bournmouth

Tippett's *A Child of our Time* will be among the works presented by the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra in its 1980-81 season, which will be the inaugural season of Uri Segal as principal conductor of the orchestra. Ronald Thomas is taking over as musical director of the Bournemouth Sinfonietta. Artists appearing with the orchestras include André Tchaikovsky, Emanuel Ax, Dimitri Alexeev, Maurice Hasson, Serge Baudo, Rudolph Barshai, Louis Frémeux and Paavo Berglund.

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mit I found the intro- part dull. But sub- episodes have opened y issues, linked difficul- d global locations that e business of a multinational. It has been Trevor Philpott's skill throughout to tackle big matters without generalizing, to present arguments that are complex and unresolved. On Tuesday he tackled the big one: pollution and protest.

Television makes it easy to be partisan. It would have been both simple and popular to plead a one-sided case. With footage of the beautiful Shetlands, craggy-faced farmers with lilting voices, expanses of windswept shore, sheep and picturesque crofts, those of us in city homes could meekly be persuaded it should stay like that . . . and wish for no further argument. A touch of soft focus could carry the day.

Such is not Trevor Philpott's style at all. He presents things as complex and difficult, and because he does we know we can trust him. Thus, in Abu Dhabi we see how oil has made roses bloom in the desert and brought schools and hospitals to the citizens. But at what cost to traditional Arab values in the human toil of migrant labour? In Alaska we see caribou beside the pipeline that was thought to threaten their survival. But we see, too, a white man's Alaska that has brought alcoholism and suicide to the Indians. We see Sullom Voe, sold to the Shetlands as the Rolls-Royce of airports, spilling oil. Most alarming of all, at Long Beach, California, we see oil company money buying a Yes on Proposition Y to gain approval for the oil terminal. Company double-talk called it educating public opinion. The series has certainly broadened our knowledge and our minds. But an opinion it leaves to us.

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cifully it also has humour, not that the characters see it themselves. Miss Churchill has the advantage, of course. She knows that however much talk they may make of recovery from a previous affair, or how glibly they confess to having "been out of touch with my feelings", all the old defences will be on hand when another person gets too close.

The three sleepless nights are three scenes in a bed, first with a verbose married couple in their tenth year of warfare, then with a muted second couple, the woman pushing to grief and suicide, the man describing the plot of the film *Alien*. A minor shuffle takes place for the third night, with the obsessively jealous wife and the filmgoing catatonic forming a new couple, beginning with cheer and self-congratulations and finding their way back to the patterns that served them before.

Stated baldly, it sounds obvious, but Miss Churchill's writing has enough energy to make it intriguing and Les Waters has directed it with a great deal of additional energy. The first scene is played as fast as a slap to the face and the second rolls quietly towards death. The performances from Harriet Walter, Jan Chappell, Fred Pearson and Kevin McNally are finely charged and capture the range of Miss Churchill's intention. It makes for yet another fine small performance from the Soho Poly.

Beaux Arts Trio
Wigmore Hall

Hilary Finch

A quarter of a century of music-making, 3,000 performances at the rate of 120 concerts a year, and teaching besides, add up to a good excuse for celebration. In their twenty-fifth anniversary year the Beaux Arts Trio repeated on Tuesday in the Wigmore Hall the programme they played at their first concern in Tanglewood in 1955—and celebrate they did.

The party started from the opening notes of Beethoven's op 1 No 1 Trio, spilling over with highly-strung energy, bright with colours that put Haydn the master firmly in the background. However exciting the vigorous peasant dance of the Scherzo, the piano's wonderfully fresh shaping of each leaping phrase of the finale, this early work was made to bear a little too much; sounds were too often bruised in the rough-and-tumble.

The exhilaration continued into Beethoven's op 70 "Ghost" trio, its first movement radiant with joy through Isidore Cohen's exuberant double stopping, and Bernard Greenhouse's strongly-bowed entries; but, for me, the "ghost" in the second movement had already been exorcized. From the strained opening violin and cello notes, the movement lacked a magic, a still beauty of tone and expression.

Menahem Pressler's opening piano solo in the "Archduke" Trio had an attractive and surprisingly languid warmth about it, but very soon the notes were pulled this way and that, manhandled in a way that destroyed the stately progress of Beethoven's marvellous theme. Full of volatile rubato and harshly-bowed first beats, the work did not really settle down until the last two movements.

Here all the positive qualities of this group's particular musicality were revealed. Despite some mannered hesitations in the first piano variation, the slow movement was played with a sheer beauty of sound, the violin mellowed and playing with long bows and plentiful vibrato, guiding the movement expressively home through its final modulations ready for the mischievous and gypsy-like Finale.

In spite of the brashness, the punch-drunk energy, the waywardness of the evening, a sense of real ensemble and of real enjoyment was never missing. After so many polite cocktail performances, it was refreshing to be invited to a full-blooded party.

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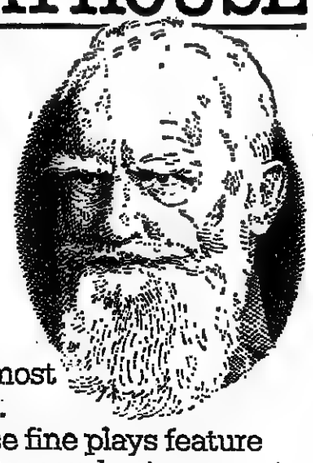

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Football

Allen verdict today on £1m move to Arsenal

Arsenal agreed terms of £1m with Queen's Park Rangers for their striker Clive Allen, yesterday. He should become Britain's fourth seven-figure signing. Denis Hill-Wood, the Arsenal chairman said: "Terry has telephoned me to say that terms have been agreed with QPR. He has been after Allen for some time and we gave him the go-ahead at the weekend."

Allen left Highbury without signing last night, but promised Mr Neill an answer this morning.

Allen, whose father Les played in the Tottenham double side, scored 30 goals in his first full season with Rangers. The 19-year-old forward, rated the new Jimmy Greaves, was recently put on offer for one month by his club and Arsenal wasted no time in stepping in as numerous other clubs considered whether to bid.

If Allen signs it will be a club record. The previous highest was £440,000 for Brian Talbot from Ipswich Town. Lucrative cup runs have left them with cash to spare, and they could collect a lot more if Liam Brady leaves as planned.

Allen, who was born in London, joined Rangers as a schoolboy when more than 20 other professional clubs were chasing him. He scored three goals on his first full appearance against Coventry City in April, 1979.

Jim Gregory, the Rangers chairman, confirmed the move: "We have agreed terms with Arsenal at £1 million, which makes the gross figure £1.25 million".

Jack Charlton, the manager of Sheffield Wednesday, has given an ultimatum to his captain, Mike Pickering, and a defender, Ray Blackhall, to sign new contract by the end of the month or go on the 'transfer' list.

Both have declined the club's terms but Mr Charlton said "I believe the offer is very good and they will either accept it or I shall seek replacements. I do not want to start pre-season training with this sort of thing hanging in the air. If they have not agreed to sign by the end of the month they will go."

Both, who played a big part in Wednesday climbing into the second division, were signed by Mr Charlton, Pickering from Southampton for £60,000 in October, 1978, and Blackhall from Newcastle for £25,000 at the start of the 1978 season. They are both 23.

Peter Fishenden, of Woodford, has signed for Norwich City at a fee of £10,000. Negotiations between the Athenian League Club and the First Division side took nearly two months before the fee was finally agreed. Woodford have also transferred another striker, Les Whitton, to Oxford City, managed by Bobby Moore, for a four-figure fee.

Max Thompson, who has refused new terms with Blackpool, is expected to join the North American League leaders Seattle Sounders, this weekend.

Thompson (22) who had a spell in the United States with Dallas Tornadoes in 1978, joined Blackpool that year from Liverpool for what was then a club record fee of £80,000. A fee has not yet been agreed for his new move. Plymouth Argyle have signed Torquay United's 24-year-old striker Donal Murphy for £65,000.

The Alliance League wants to take four leading Isthmian League clubs into its competition in the 1981-82 season. This would bring the number of clubs in the Alliance League to 24 giving them a full programme. The Isthmian League Council is to discuss the move on June 27.

Clive Allen, of Queen's Park Rangers, who could become Britain's fourth seven-figure signing.

Germans off to sturdy but unattractive start

Rome, June 11
West Germany 1 Czechoslovakia 0

West Germany today won the first match of the European championships, beating the holders, Czechoslovakia, in a group one game.

half goal came from their striker Rummenigge, claimed revenge for their defeat on penalty kicks by the Czechoslovaks in the 1976 final.

But it was rough justice. Czechoslovakia's best forward, Nehoda, was hustled out of the game by the robust German defence, and when Masny was brought on to support him in the second half, he was promptly felled by Dietz.

Later Allofs, like Dietz received a yellow card after another of the fouls which the Italian referee, Michelotti, did little to prevent. West Germany are not a pretty side, nor do they look champions yet. But if only for their youthful promise and touches of class they *deserved their victory by the only* goal in the 55th minute after a lifeless first half.

Hansi Müller, always dangerous on the left wing, hoisted a cross to Rummenigge, who, close to goal, had only to nod home.

The Czechoslovaks' most effective attacks were sudden thrusts, and seconds after the goal, Nehoda hit the side netting.

He and the tireless Panenka attacked when they could, but they found little support and every time the German machine swept back, Stielike and Müller constantly put Rummenigge and Allofs through but all too often saw them caught offside by the harassed but guileful Czechoslovak defence.

West Germany missed two final chances to go further ahead. The goal-bound shot of Briegel, bounced off a defender, and seconds from time, Müller and Rummenigge, exchanging passes, had only the goalkeeper Netolicka to beat, but Müller somehow shot wide.

Norman Fox writes: Opening matches in European championships and even World Cups are notoriously unadventurous. They can also be perilously misleading, but having made all allowances, one automatically sketched comparisons between the first game of this tournament and the last of the championship four years ago, with the same countries involved. There was little in tonight's display in Rome to suggest that the heights of entertainment reached in Yugoslavia would be repeated here in Italy.

The Germans, without Bonhof, and the Czechoslovaks, less Masny until the second half, produced few moments of outstanding skill, especially in their finishing. It soon became clear that the German defence could be hurried into serious errors. Also, much of their deliberate possession in midfield came undone because, apart from Rummenigge, the leading scorer in Germany, sudden breakaways foundered in the centre where Muller was a disappointment apart from his delightful flicked pass across the penalty area to Rummenigge for the only goal. But Muller has a reputation for inconsistency so perhaps he is saving something for the crucial match with the Dutch at the weekend.

Two of the expected features of *the match failed to arise.* The German full backs did not go forward with the positive drive that is usually one of the team's great strengths, and the Czechoslovaks continually ran their breakaways into blind corners. The second half was a considerable improvement on the first, so my fears that the tournament could see the better teams playing extra cautiously could yet be proved too pessimistic. But the signs in Rome were not encouraging.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA: I. Netolicka; J. Barmos, L. Jurkemik, A. Andrea, K. Gorgh, J. Stankovic, J. Kozak, A. Panenka, V. Daloga, J. Jokl, M. Masny, Z. Nehoda, L. Vizek.

WEST GERMANY: H. Schumacher; U. Kolk, H. Gullaman, K. H. Foerster, B. Dietz, H. P. Briegel, B. Forster (sub. F. Magath), K. H. Rummenigge, H. Müller, K. Allofs, U. Stielike.

Referee: A. Michelotti (Italy).

Australian errors help Irish on their way

Sydney, June 11.—Two goalkeeping errors helped Northern Ireland to a 2—1 win over Australia in an international here today. Woodhouse, the Australian goalkeeper, *made his first blunder* after only 11 minutes. He was slow to move to a well struck 35-yard shot from Nicholl, a defender, and the ball curled just inside the left-hand post.

The Irish, who won the British championship for the first time for 66 years last month, kept up the pressure and increased their lead in the 32nd minute. Woodhouse, aged 19, misjudged a corner from the right. Armstrong headed back across the goal and O'Neill, the captain was left with the simple task of heading in from close range.

However, the Australians, beaten 2—1 by England recently, fought back strongly and were rewarded by a goal in the 74th minute. Yzendoorn slipped a neat through ball to the enterprising Sharne and he drove the ball past Platt.

The Australians kept up the pressure as the Irish team began to tire, but they were thwarted by a determined defence, two shots being blocked from close range in the final minute.

Billy Bingham, the Ireland manager, said he was pleased with his side's performance considering they had arrived in Sydney only 36 hours before the match.

AUSTRALIA: Woodhouse; Perry, Predaris, Muir, Tansey, Beljendes, Henderson (captain), Jankovits, Yzendoorn, Cole, Sharne.

NORTHERN IRELAND: J. Platt (Middlesbrough); J. Nicholl (Manchester United), C. Nicholl (Southampton), J. O'Neill (Leicester City), D. McClelland (Mansfield Town), M. O'Neill (Nottingham Forest), T. Cassidy (Newcastle United), T. Finney (Cambridge United), N. Southerton (Blackburn Rovers), G. Armstrong (Tottenham Hotspur), W. Hamilton (Burnley).—Reuter.

Tennis

Miss Wade yields to confident American

Virginia Wade failed to survive her opening match in the women's tennis tournament, sponsored by Crossley Carpets, at Chichester yesterday. Twenty-four hours earlier Miss Wade had been fancying her Wimbledon chances, but on her first appearance on grass since last year's championships she was beaten 6—2 7—6 by the 24-year-old Diane Desfor of Los Angeles.

Miss Desfor, a psychology graduate, is ranked sixty-seventh in the world and it was a result which reinforced Miss Wade's warning that there are some dangerous players outside the top bracket and that this year's Wimbledon could be the most open for years.

While Miss Wade struggled to find her feet on the damp grass, Miss Tesfor, who played on grass all last week, trod confidently towards the best win of her career.

"Everyone seems to get her best win against me," Miss Wade said.

"She played really well and I was horrible. My shoes were wrong and I lost my footwork completely. It's all right losing but it kills me to play such rubbish", she added.

The American proved a sound grasscourt player and, while she sometimes looked shaky on the crisis points, she had too much for Miss Wade.

The British No1 fought hard for the second set without looking convincing. When it went to the tie-break at 6—6, however, she was potentially in trouble. She went down to the first match point when she finated a ball past the American's backhand but saw it drift out of court.

Susan Barker, one of Britain's wealthiest sportswomen is back home counting the cost of success. She is tired, fed up with wandering about the world and suffering from the loniness of long distance tax exile.

To help remedy these conditions she will take two months of competitive tennis after Wimbledon, miss the United States championships, the second biggest even on the tennis calendar and try the effect of staying in the same place for a few weeks.

Miss Barker has missed only three weeks' tennis in the last seven months. "I've played too much and I've travelled so much," she said at Chichester yesterday as she waited for the rain to stop.

Second round

Miss P. Shriver (US) beat Miss T. Harford (US), 6—4, 6—1; Miss S. Barker beat Miss I. Holladay (US), 7—6, 6—2; Miss A. Jaeger (US) beat Miss A. Tresie Evans (Australia), 7—5, 6—4; Miss J. Durie beat Miss L. Morse (US), 6—3, 6—4, 7—6; Miss B. Stove (Netherlands) beat Miss S. Hanika (Germany), 7—5, 6—4; Miss D. Evers (Australia) beat Miss C. O'Neill (Australia), 6—4, 6—2.

Mrs C. Lloyd (US) beat Miss C. Gamiarino (Argentina), 6—4, 6—1; Miss L. Jolissaint (Switzerland) beat Miss R. Casals (US), 6—2, 6—2; Miss S. Acker (US) beat Miss R. Price (US), 6—3, 3—7, 6—4; Miss B. Nagelsen (US) beat Miss J. Brakova (Czechoslovakia), 6—4, 6—4; Miss B. Walsh (US) beat Miss R. Fairbank (SA), 6—3, 5—7, 6—3.

Miss D. Desfor (US) beat Miss V. Wade, 6—2, 7—6; Miss B. Bunge (US) beat Miss L. Allen (US), 6—2, 6—1; Miss V. Varmak (SA) beat Miss S. Leo (US), 7—6, 6—4; Mrs E. Cawley (Australia) beat Miss H. Fox (US), 6—3, 6—1; Mrs C. Doerner (Australia) beat Miss K. Latham (US), 6—1, 6—1.

THIRD ROUND: Miss Jaeger beat Miss Acker, 6—2, 6—4; Miss Shriver beat Miss J. Durie, 7—5, 6—1; Miss Stove beat Miss Evers, 6—4, 6—3.

McEnroe thriving in the warmth against Leonard ye

Supporting cast in tl spotlight at Queen's

By Jerome Caminada

The richness of the supporting cast in international tennis was illuminated at the grass court tournament sponsored by Stella Artois at the Queen's Club, London, yesterday when five men who had to qualify to compete won their first round singles matches. Two of them knocked out seeded players.

The successful qualifiers were not all newcomers. Nick Saviano, a Californian who eliminated his rangy countryman, Peter Fleming, seeded sixth, has just had his twenty-fifth birthday; Tom Gullikson, a 29-year-old American who, after three tight sets, put out Pat Dupre, has, like his twin brother Tim, been on the state some years. Dupre, an American who was born in Belgium, was seventh seed.

But Kevin Curren, a South African who dispatched Sandy Mayer, runner-up at Beckenham last week, 4—6, 6—4, 6—4, is one of the new crop of ever taller young men from abroad who appear every year. Born in Durban 22 years ago, he has had four years at the University of Texas and has not played in Britain before. The years in the United States created in Curren an appetite for international tennis which he now hopes to satisfy. His service and his swift and accurate ground strokes yesterday indeed had a hungry look about them, and he took the match by breaking Mayer's service.

The other successful qualifiers were Chris Johnstone, an Australian, and Sherwood Stewart, from the United States. Johnstone opposed To mGorman, an American now in his thirties, whose name appears year by year; and after running away with the first set 6—1, Johnstone took the second set, and the match, 7—6 on a tie break. Stewart eliminated another qualifier, Russell Simpson, from New Zealand.

Another player who did not even qualify but filled one of the last two places in the main draw on his computer ranking, almost surpassed the others. This was John James (Australia), who on the centre court looked was going to run Brian (United States), seeded out of the tournament. the first set 6—4 and in the next set; but tenaciously fought bac lost that set 5—7 and 3—6.

After the gloom of T was a happy, sunny day main courts, which covered, occupied fr morning, and all the co from early afternoo McEnroe, whose match Leonard was unfinished day, with the score 6- thrived in the warmth. captured the three gam to take him into the n the score being 6—3, 6-

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V. Amaya (US) beat (US), 6—2, 5—7, 6—3; stone (Australia) beat (US), 6—4, 7—6; W. beat J. Austin (US), 6 Stewart (US) beat R. Stu 7—6, 7—5; R. Gonfried J. James (Australia), 6 5—3.

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Brooking and Sansom fill the areas of doubt

From Norman Fox
Football Correspondent
Asti, June 11

The work of nearly three years and 29 matches under the stimulating guidance of Ron Greenwood will culminate in the Stadio Comunale, Turin tomorrow (4.45 BST) when England play their first European championship group two match against Belgium. Even the confidence of knowing that they qualified without being beaten and that their total number of defeats under this manager is only three will not make the task any easier. Belgium are a good team and England have not been involved in the last stages of a leading competition for 11 years.

When the group draw was made it was tempting to underestimate the Belgiums, thinking of Italy as being the most serious obstacle to England's place in the final, as *they obviously are. Now there is* a tendency to overstate the Belgium case. Mr Greenwood, as always, advocates a sensible middle course approach. Today, here at the England training camp in the gentle hills outside Turin he announced his first team of the championship in both senses. Naturally, there were no surprises: it is too late for drastic second thoughts.

Only two areas of doubt remained. Mills, who has played only two matches since Easter because of a hamstring injury and later a fractured wrist, is now fit but Mr Greenwood decided against using him at left back tomorrow. Sansom retains that position although it is possible that against Italy next Sunday the experience of Mills will be called upon.

There was also the difficult choice between Brooking's guile and Kennedy's strength on the left of midfield. For tomorrow's game Brooking is preferred, but here, too, the matter may be reviewed for the greater pressures of the match against Italy. Tomorrow the hope is to attack and worry more people than those in the immediate opposition.

Mr Greenwood said today that the Belgium team were unpredictable but "one of the most *difficult sides in the competition*". He had earlier dismissed defeatist Belgium statements but there is little doubt that they have modest ambitions when viewing the competition as a whole. The manager, Guy Thys, who took over from Raymond Goethals in 1977, says he shares Mr Greenwood's philosophy on entertaining football and hopes he has seen enough flaws in the England team to make a match of it tomorrow. However, he sees no point in dreaming of reaching the final, only of continuing a rebuilding process that is not made easier by the Belgium people's traditional divisions of loyalty. He has done well to take the team to their first important international tournament since 1972.

If he has spotted England's weaknesses he may be talking of the defence, but it will also be the attack and midfield that will come under scrutiny tomorrow. The questions of whether England really can overcome the loss of Francis and if the midfield has sufficient pace and tenacity to take control in the way that the Belgiums did in their 3—1 win over Scotland in the preliminary competition, should begin to be answered.

In Van der Elst and Van den Bergh, *Belgium have two of Europe's most dangerous goal scorers.* Watson and Thompson will have to tackle them accurately and early while Wilkins, such an improved international midfield player, must take an authoritative hold or the experienced Van Moer will certainly do so. The midfield players will have the responsibility of ensuring that the Belgium talent for fast breakaways is nipped before it endangers the defence, which often relies too heavily on the admirable and irreplaceable, Watson.

On Friday, Belgium completed their preparations with a 2-1 defeat of Romania in Brussels and though the game was not taken too seriously, the work of Van Moer in the second half indicated that he had not lost an ability to inspire. He created goals for Ceulemans, who, Mr Greenwood admitted, could be a danger, and Van der Elst. It would not be surprising if he originated another against England who are not afraid to concede goals against teams who are prepared to attack. It would be good for the competition if that attitude prevailed

Most of the England players look faster and sharper than in the last few weeks of the league season and the softer ground is to their liking. Some doubts about Keegan's fitness after stomach trouble and a leg injury have almost disappeared

ENGLAND: R. Clemence; P. Neal, P. Thompson, D. Watson, K. Sansom, R. Wilkins, K. Keegan, T. Brooking, S. Coppell, D. Johnson, A. Woodcock.

BELGIUM: J. M. Pfaff; E. Gerets, L. Millecamps, W. Ninduwa, M. Renquin, J. Cools, R. van der Eycken, W. Van Moer, F. Van der Elst, E. Van den Bergh; J. Ceulemans.

Referee: H. Aldinger (West Germany).

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Boxing

Pintor forced to a draw but keeps world title

Tokyo, June 11.—The World Boxing Council (WBC) bantamweight champion Guadalupe Pintor, of Mexico, drew with the Japanese challenger, Eijiro Murata, to retain his title here tonight.

There were no knockdowns in the action-packed, 15-round bout. But the 25-year-old champion almost floored Murata in the 14th round when he swarmed all over the Japanese boxer.

The referee, Martin Denkin, of the United States, scored the bout even 144—144. The Mexican judge Marcial Sosa Villamil, had it 147—142 in favour of Pintor, and the Japanese judge Takeaki Kanaya scored 146—144 in favour of Murata.

Pintor, in his second defence of the title, forced the pace from the opening bell but was unable to hurt Murata who scored frequently with right hand counter-punches.

Pintor, whose punches carried more power, finally caught Murata with uppercuts in the eighth and ninth rounds.

Murata, who then appeared tired, recovered and used good footwork to keep the champion battling up to the final round. Murata's punches were not powerful but the Japanese pleased the crowd of 6,000 by landing more blows.

It was the first draw for Pintor in 47 bouts. He has won 41, including 34 knockouts, and has been beaten five times. For the undefeated Murata, it was his second draw, against 16 wins, including ten knockouts.

Both boxers weighed in at *118 lb (53.5 kg). Pintor said:* "I though I won. Before the fight, I had expected to stop Murata, but he is a good fighter and was much stronger than I had expected." He said he was willing to give Murata another chance

Geneva, June 11.—The European Boxing Union (EBU) today released their latest list of champions and number one challengers:

FLYWEIGHT: Champion: Charlie Magri (GB), official challenger Giovani Comparato (Italy). The title match takes place in London on June 28.

BANTAM: Champion: John Owen (GB). Challenger, Valerio Nati (Italy). Title match to take place before July 22.

FEATHER: Champion, Roberto Castanon (Spain). Challenger, Pat Cowdell (Great Britain). July 22 deadline for match.

JUNIOR LIGHT: Champion: Carlos Hernandez (Italy (Spain). No challenger yet announced.

LIGHT: Champion: Francisco Leon Villapando (Spain). No challenger yet announced.

LIGHT-WELTER: Champion: Jo Kimpuani (France). Challenger Giuseppe Martinese (Italy).

WELTER: Champion Jorgen Hansen (Denmark). Challenger: Hans-Henrik Palm (Denmark). Two meet before June 18.

LIGHT-MIDDLE: Champion: Marian Benes (Austria). Challenger Georges Waruzel (France). Title match deadline: June 18.

MIDDLE: Champion: Kevin Finnegan (Great Britain). Challenger Marten Salvesen (Holland). Deadline June 18.

LIGHT-HEAVY. Champion: Rudi Koopmans (Belgium). Challenger. Fred Scipioni (Luxembourg).

HEAVYWEIGHT: Champion John Gardner (Great Britain). No challenger announced.—Agence France-Presse.

Horse show

Skelton overcomes an international field

By Pamela Macgregor-Morris

After two days of misty drizzle, the sun broke through yesterday afternoon to reveal the Malvern hills, the magnificent backdrop to the Three Counties showground. Nick Skelton, triumphant in five competitions at the South of England last week, beat a full-scale international field to win the Radio Rentals Worcestershire International trial on SMS Balmorella.

Alan Oliver and Julian Davy contrived, with Major Whitehead's fences, to keep the clear rounds to three. Rowland Fernyhough with Bouncer, his Olympic mount in Moutreal, was clear again in 43.5sec and the chips were down, but young Skelton did not serve his apprenticeship with Ted and Elizabeth Edgar in vain, and he went the shortest way to stop the clock at 41.6sec. Finally, Paddy McMahon took the Australian-bred Gollamite, who is no slouch, into third place in 44.1sec, and the list of equal fourths with one mistake included David Broome twice, though Harvey Smith knocked up a cricket score with each of his pair.

Robert Oliver's triumphal progress, which he achieved by virtue of his own and his wife Gillian's infinite capacity for taking pains and their joint "eye for a horse", comprised the cob championship with Mrs Peter White's triple Wembley title winner, Kempley; the hack championship with another triple Wembley champion, Mrs Godall's home-bred Tenterk; and a hard-fought double in a *representative section of 100* young.

Brigadier R. C. Symonds awarded the championship to Mrs Priest's home-bred grey three-year-old filly, Abbey Mill, by Abyss, a beautiful own sister to the lightweight. Brewster, who is only here thanks to Joanna Varden's national foaling bank in Shropshire; she was reared by hand when she lost her dam, an Irish mare by Renwood. The reserve, a grand sort of short-legged two-year-old colt, was Miss Geanes's Royal Fiddler, y The Dane.

But Brigadier Symonds and Mr Jack Thomas, who judged the mares and foals and sees more with his one eye than many others do with two, awarded the supreme accolade to Ian Thomas, the Queen's dressmaker, with his superlative Lucky Strike, by Lucky Leprechaun out of a mare by Blandace, who won the Edward, Prince of Wales Cup at the National Hunter Show for the late Mrs Molly Carl as a two-year-old and is now fulfilling her destiny. Her grand chestnut son by Mandamus also won its class. To round off a busy day, Mrs Ponsonby awarded the pony championship to Dr and Mrs Gilbert Scott's Cusop Heiress.

Golf

BARNHAM BROOM, Norfolk: Midland professional championship: Leading scores: First round: 75, I. Richardson (unattached). J. Johnson (Ipswich golf range); 76, R. Foster (Eaton); 77, S. Tilbrook (Barnham Broom), C. Bithrey (St Neots), J. Hall (Trentham), 78, G. Schader (unattached), G. Aldred (Stowmarket); 79, T. Bowden (Ely City), 80, D. Lumley (St Neots).

Marathon mail: Fred Lebow, president of the Road Runner Club, sitting on 30,000 entries for the New York Marathon, about a third of which might survive to the starting post and about a fiftieth of those might stand a chance of winning.

Motor racing

Banned drivers appeal in vain to FIA

Paris, June 11.—The International Automobile Federation (FIA), formula one's highest appeal body, have upheld the suspensions of five top drivers for failure to pay fines. The drivers are Emerson Fittipaldi and Nelson Piquet, of Brazil, Tiff Needell and John Watson, of Britain, and Alan Jones, of Australia.

FIA said the men had defied rules to attend briefings before the Belgian and Monaco grands prix, and that the suspensions should stand until the fines were paid.

The five drivers who appealed were among 14 suspended by the International Motor Sport Federation (FISA), the grand prix governing body, for not having paid the fines.

FIA's decision marks the latest round in a power struggle between the Formula One Constructors' Association (FOCA) and FISA. A FIA spokesman said that any national formula one grand prix in which the suspended drivers raced would be struck off this year's official calendar.

He said there was no question of recognizing the results of last months' Spanish Grand Prix, in which suspended drivers raced. It was won by Alan Jones: with Renault, Ferrari and Alfa Romeo refusing to take part.—Reuter.

Football

NORTH AMERICAN SOCCER LEAGUE: Memphis Rogues 2, Tampa Bay Rowdies 0; Edmonton Drillers 5, Philadelphia Fury 0.

Cycling

When the name of the game is scrambling

John Herety, one of Britain's top young cyclists, has only one chance of Olympic success and believes luck will be an essential factor in his attempt for a medal.

Most Olympic competitors are given the opportunity to battle through heats, and improve their performances, but for the road racing cyclist it is all or nothing.

Herety, 22 years old from Cheadle, explains: "My event is the one-day 160-mile road race and there are so many riders entered that the start is really hectic. You might be one of the fancied men but if you are knocked off by an unknown it can be curtains.

"There is such a scramble at the start of these races that luck plays a big part. One slip can ruin a season's work. Of course, you can also be hit by punctures and mechanical problems and you are not given a second chance", he said.

Herety has ony moved into the international class in the past two seasons but is improving all the time. His preparations went slowly at the beginning of the year but he came back to form by finishing second in the Grand Prix Pernod one-day international and then was runner-up in the tough four-day Elswick Centennial over Easter.

Cycling became a part of Herety's life 10 years ago but he has onl ytaken it seriously in the past four years.

A chef by profession, Herety was determined not to give up work to concentrate on training. But his attitude changed when he was made redundant in October and at the same time included in the British Olympic team.

His preparation began with training stints three times a week in October and this was increased to five days in December. By January he was spending 31 hours every day in the saddle with the help of two British professionals and this was stepped up to 44 hours in February. Then he eased back on his speed work and did interval training twice a week

"If I had been at work this type of schedule would have been very difficult and it would have taken a lot of will power to keep going", he said.

Redraw in Olympics

Zurich, June 11.—The International Football Federation (FIFA) has redrawn the groups for the Olympic Games football competition in Moscow next month. After the withdrawal of Norway, Argentina, Malaysia, Iran, United States, Egypt and Ghana the following teams were drafted into the four groups: Finland, Venezuela, Syria, Iraq, Cuba, Zambia, with one other African entrant still to be announced.

GROUPS: One: USSR, Venezuela, Zambia, Cuba; two: Czechoslovakia, Colombia, Kuwait, African entrant; three: E. Germany, Spain, Algeria, Syria; four: Yugoslavia, Finland, Costa Rica, Iraq.—Agence France-Presse.

Fencing

Two withdr from British team for Mc

Two British fencer Tim Belson and a 32-yer don solicitor Ralph withdrew from the Olyn team for Moscow, withi being selected by t Amateur Fencing Asso London, on Tuesday n

Belson, the British n and world number 1 stationed with the Regiment, in Aberfield, is a personal decision grounds. I have tossed ment back and forth b to go to Moscow and Britain could be taken port the Soviet foreign invasion of Afghanistan

"No pressure has be me by the Army will have discussed the Neither would I like m to influence any fencer

Belson had been n season for the Olympic also assisted Britain's pentathlon team in the don. His withdrawal, lar, kills any British m in the épée champion

Johnson, who had r Belson's withdrawal, h indicted his views to but the epée weapon's put his name forward fo in the hope that th situation might change

"It was a forlorn h not just Afghanistan. the Olympic Games w and friendship," he sa

"The whole policy Soviets is inconsistent view so I don't feel I pete in an Olympics it

TEAM: Men's foil: G (Salle Boston); P. Har Goodall); N. Bell (unattach R. Cohen (Poly). J. Phil M. Slade (Salle Boston). N Reserve: T. Etherton (Poly Paul (Paul's). J. Llewellyn N. Mallet (Salle Boston). C captain: R. Gideon (Poly foil: L. Martin (Paul's). J. Smith (Paul's). A. Bram Boston). W. Grant (Salle Non-fencing captain: H. (Salle Boston).

Baseball

AMERICAN LEAGUE: D 8, Minnesota Twins 5; T Jays 1, Chicago White Sox Rangers 2, Milwaukee 1; Kansas City Royals 8, Cleve 3, California Angels 5, Yankees 4; Oakland A's 1 Orioles 4; Boston Red Sox Mariners 4.

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Phillies 4, San Francisco Gi York Mets 5, Los Angeles Pittsburgh Pirates 5, Cins 3; Montreal Expos 8, San L 4, Atlanta Braves 5, St dinals 2; Houston Astros Cubs 3.

Golf

LEADING PRIZEWINNE 1, T. Watson, $554,328; vino, $214,581; 3, J. $178,453; 4, A. Bean, 5, L. Nelson, $138,317; 6, $130,288; 7, J. Mahaffey, 8, J. Colbert, $115,16 Strange, $102,002; 10, $128,864.

LEADING PRIZEWINNE 1, D. Young, $133,455; 2, $101,845; 3, A. Alcott, N. Lopez-Melton, $79,7 Daniel, $75,040; 6, J $73,324; 7, S. Little (SA $70,221; 8, A. Washam, $62, White, $59,887; 10, F $57,680. British placing: 1 Smith, $2,609.

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…: Middlesex beat Sussex … runs.

…sex needed all their re… to pull through against …n yesterday's quarter-final …enson and Hdges. In trou…t, they did well to make …e morning, after being put … 195, for their powerful …defend. Sussex were all …heir 54th over for 166.

…sex had 38 extras and an …icket partnership of 66 …ers between Emburey and … Biji to thank for making … as they did. Having been put in on a damp, hazy morning they made the stickiest of starts. Arnold and Imran Khan were a regular handful, Imran when he bowled straight. Arnold was in his sixth over before he conceded a run: in his first five overs Imran conceded two runs and eight wides. Arnold was straight and awkward, Imran wild and awkward. Although Brearley scored only 32 in the two hours and a quarter of the morning, his survival through the most difficult part of the day was important.

Even so, Middlesex left their recovery late. With typical resourcefulness Radley was getting things moving when he drove Wells to mid off, as Barlow did in Wells' next over. After 40 overs Middlesex were 113 for 7. Brearley had been caught at the wicket, and Gatting and Gould both skied attempted attacking strokes. Gatting looked to be trying to bat like Vivian Richards, which is a chancy business even for someone with considerable talent and in prime form.

Emburey and Van der Biji were more judicious, taking no chances until they had a sight of the ball. Because of his enormous height and considerable strength Van der Biji is not the easiest man to bowl at; Embury uses his feet well to get into position for the deflection and the nudge. Their runs made all the difference to the Sussex target, though neither was able to displace "extras" as the main contributor to the Middlesex innings.

Of the Sussex bowlers, Imran was fiery and Arnold unlucky. Pigott, Harrow School's answer to Mike Procter, strayed too much down the leg side and Spencer was as Spencer is. The most successful was Wells, who is 20, a strong young man bowling at the inevitable medium pace. His four victims were all England batsmen. Someone at the Tideway School, Newhaven, told him about the importance of length, and yesterday it held him in good stead.

The loss of Wessels, who had a bone above his right wrist fractured by Daniel early in the Susse xinnings, left their middle order with just too much to do. By the time Parker got to the wicket 13 overs had passed and Sussex had made only 20. Though easier than earlier in the day, batting still had its problems, especially against Van der Biji, Daniel and Emburey.

Someone was going to have to play very well to put Middlesex under any pressure, and Parker, Mendis and Imran did so. After 30 overs Sussex were still only 48 for one. They had scored, by then, only one boundary. Parker, however, and Mendis started to break loose against Edmonds, so that when the last 20 overs started Sussex, with nine wickets standing (this, in efect, was only eight) needed 118, which was not impossible.

There were verrious reasons for their not getting them. Gatting chipped in with a useful spell in which, in the 49th over, he bowled Parker. Radley ran out Mendis brilliantly, and, most significantly, Daniel came back and bowled several fast short, and vicious overs which soured what had been, until then, a splendid game of cricket.

During one dangerously short over from Daniel, Imran Khan, himself no great respector of all the conventions, protested to Brearley, and the umpire, Van Geloven. Imran suggested that more wides should be being called; Brearley told him, in no uncertain terms, tha he disagreed, and before we knew where we were, the umpire was coming between the two of them like a boxing referee, and Gatting was rushing in to sool his captain down. My sympathies, for once, were with Imran. Daniel was bowling too short, and either Brearley or Van Geloven should have told him so.

…card

MIDDLESEX
…ith, c Philipson, b Imran .. 0
…rley, c Long, b Wells .. 32
…dley, c Pigott, b Wells .. 24
…rrow, c Imran, b Wells .. 0
…tting, c Imran, b Wells .. 15
…d, c Wessels, b Philipson .. 10
…munds, c Long, b Imran .. 6
…urey, not out .. 34
… van de Biji, c Long, b … .. 30
…d Selvey, lbw b Arnold .. 1
…aiel, b Imran .. 1
… b 4, l-b 13, w 2, n-b 19 .. 38
(54.5 overs) 195
…F WICKETS: 1—17, 3—75, …—93, 5—99, 6—108, 7—…79, 9—184, 10—195.
…G: Imran Khan, 10.5—4—… Arnold, 11—3—35—3; …11—1—41—0; Pigott, …0; Wells, 11—7—31—4; …5—0—22—1.

SUSSEX
…sels, retd hurt .. 10
…h Jones, l-b-w, b Selvey .. 3
…adis, run out .. 42
…Parker, b Gatting .. 59
…a, c Radley, b Van de … .. 23
…mon, c Smith, b Daniel .. 4
…lls, c Gould, b Daniel .. 2
…igott, c Gould, b Daniel .. 1
… c Daniel, b Gatting .. 3
…rnold, c Emburey, b … .. 0
… not out .. 0
… (b1, l-b6, w5, no-b7) .. 19
Total (53.2 overs) .. 166
… WICKETS: 1—20, 2—112, …—152, 5—157, 6—159.
…G: Van de Bill 10—2—28—… 11—0—31—3; Selvey, 11—… Emburey, 11—5—15—0; …—0—22—0; Gatting, 7.5—…
… J. van Geloven and P. B. …

Anxious moments in a comfortable win

By Alan Gibson

NORTHAMPTON: Northamptonshire beat Nottinghamshire by seven wickets.

Northamptonshire went into the semi-finals of the Benson and Hedges Cup, and it looks very comfortable in retrospect, seven wickets and eight overs in hand, but they had the occasional anxious moment, chiefly because the sky all day had the look of a broody hen about to deliver a whole carton of eggs. But in the end we did not have to go on to a second day.

Play did not start until 12.30, and the pitch, after the rain, was lively. Nottinghamshire chose to bat, and must have been wondering if they had been wise when their fifth wicket fell at 57. Of the early batsmen, Todd laid the foundations of an innings, but was run out. Hassan was caught at the wicket. Rice bowled. Tunnicliffe caught at cover, and Birch bowled. Those four wickets fell to Timothy Lamb, who was more accurate than he sometimes is and made the ball swing in the humid air. His figures reflect an was good to see this pleasant cricketer doing himself justice.

It was also good to see Randall in form. He was fidgety, and a little eccentric, as usual, and had some luck, but the innings would have been a disaster without him. Hhe did not go in until number five, hit out nobly towards the end, and was last out, caught in the deep. Sarfraz was the bowler who took most of the later wickets, after Hadlee had joined Randall in a sixth wicket partner ship which took the score to 115. This was the nearest Nottinghamshire came to real recovery. The innings ended at 143, in the 52nd over.

Northamptonshire did not find things easy to begin with. Their first 20 runs came at little more than two an over. Rather nervous runs they were, and they lost the wicket of Larkins, splendidly caught at square cover, at 16. The light was poor, and steadily deteriorated. However, Cook and Williams gradually began to find their freedom, and Nottinghamshire's second-line bowlers are less formidable than their opening pair.

The hundred came up in the 33rd over. Tht clourds piled up heavily al round, but the light remained, just, playable. Cook and Williams had their eyes adjusted to it, and it was probably the fielding side which would have valued a break more.

Not that Nottinghamshire wilted; but they lost confidence in themselves when they did not capture the early wickets they needed. Williams reached his 50 slightly before Cook did, but of the two innings I wolud rate Cook's slightly the higher, because he survived that awkward half hour at the beginning. Williams was bowled at 124 in the 42nd over, and Cook went at 138, but, by then Nottinghamshire's hope was gone.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE
P. A. Todd, run out .. 18
B. Hassan, c Sharp, b T. Lamb .. 10
H. T. Tunnicliffe, c Cook, b T. Lamb .. 13
C. E. B. Rice, b T. Lamb .. 3
D. W. Randall, c T. Lamb, b Griffiths .. 48
J. D. Birch, b T. Lamb .. 1
C. G. Curzon, lbw, b Willey .. 15
R. J. Hadlee, b Sarfraz .. 22
E. E. Hemmings, c Williams, b Sarfraz .. 1
K. Cooper, b Sarfraz .. 3
M. K. Bore, not out .. 0
Extras (b 1, l-b 7, n-b 2) .. 10
Total (51.1 overs) 143
FALL OF WICKETS: 1—27, 2—45, 3—46, 4—49, 5—57, 6—90, 7—115, 8—119, 9—136, 10—143.
BOWLING: Griffiths, 8.1—1—24—1; Sarfraz Nawaz, 9—3—22—3; Watts, 11—1—33—0; T. M. Lamb, 11—3—…4; Willey, 9—1—34—1; Larkins, 3—0—9—0.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
G. Cook, c and b Tunnicliffe .. 66
W. Larkins, c Rice, b Hadlee .. 1
R. G. Williams, b Hadlee .. 50
A. J. Lamb, not out .. 3
P. Willey, not out .. 5
Extras (b 3, w 1, n-b 8) .. 11
Total (3 wkts, 47.1 overs) .. 143
T. J. Yardley, *P. J. Watts, †G. Sharp, Sarfraz Nawaz, T. M. Lamb, B. J. Griffiths, did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1—16, 2—124, 3—138.
BOWLING: Hadlee, 11—2—34—2; Cooper, 8—1—21—0; Hemmings, 9—2—28—0; Bore, 11—2—22—0; Tunnicliffe, 8.1—1—38—1.
Umpires: W. E. Allen and T. W. Spencer.

Today's cricket

BENSON AND HEDGES CUP
MANCHESTER: Lancashire v Worcestershire (11.0 to 7.30).

OTHER MATCH
CAMBRIDGE: Oxford and Cambridge Universities v West Indians (11.30 to 6.30).

MINOR COUNTIES
MARCH: Cambridgeshire v Lincolnshire.

Golf

Ballesteros may have the edge in character

From John Hennessy
Springfield (N.J.), June 11

This is crystal ball time at the Baltusrol golf course, on the eve of the United States Open championship. It is a day to beat the bookmakers, and develop theories about Sunday's outcome that fit snugly into preconceived prejudices or simple hunches. The public relations officer of the United States Professional Golfers' Association put the situation into a nutshell when he was asked this morning who would win. "I've narrowed it down to 154," he replied. "I can't make up my mind any further." These are 154 competitors for the first two days, tomorrow and on Friday.

The hunches and prejudices here home in on Watson, Trevino and Ballesteros—Watson, because he is the best player in the United States this season without question or argument; Trevino because he is likely to be inspired by the memory that it was here that he arrived out of nowhere (actually El Paso) to finish fifth in 1967, a harbinger of his victory the following year; and Ballesteros because he is, well, Ballesteros.

The impression is growing that the Americans are running scared of El Conquistador. The holder of the British Open and the United States Masters must have the right credentials for adding the United States Open to his roll of honour, yet the American players, in public, tend to ignore him when discussing a short list of possible winners. In private, a number have expressed their admiration for his golf in the awed terms of a member of the public rather than a fellow professional.

The bookmakers put Ballesteros joint sixth in their list after Watson, Trevino, Rogers, Nelson, and the holder, Irwin. The decline of Nicklaus is so pronounced that he is hardly mentioned and has been little seen. Can it really be only two years since he won the British Open and only one since he finished a joint runner-up to Ballesteros?

As in any other sport, the winner needs to be more than one of the leading competitors in the field; he must also have the character to rise to any challenging occasion. It is here that Ballesteros seems to have an edge over almost everyone else, except, possibly, Nicklaus and Player, and they seem now almost to belong to another age. The moving finger of golf recognition writes; and, having writ, moves on, from those who have been to those who are. But who would dare to class either Nicklaus or Player as a has been? Both have made their usual, meticulous preparations, but so has Ballesteros to, for him, an unusual degree. He arrived as early as last Friday and has played five practice rounds, usually to telling effect.

There is, alas, little to be said of the chances of the one British competitor, Sandy Lyle. If the height of his ambition is first to make the cut, and then reach the top 20, there is little profit in dwelling on his chances any further.

Overseas challenge fades in the gloom

By Peter Ryde

The overseas challenge was further reduced yesterday at Royal Porthcawl when the Amateur Championship field was reduced to 32 on a chilly and gloomy day by the defeat of Etienne Groenwald, the South African champion, a result that lifted Welsh hearts because he lost to young Tudor Williams. That defeat followed the removal late the evening before of the Australian champion John Kelly and their best player Tony Gresham.

But if the challenge was reduced it is not extinct. Perhaps their strongest remaining hope is Suddards, a semi-finalist two years ago, who has greater familiarity than his colleagues with British conditions and a game better suited to this course. Another South African is Lindsay-Smith, a cricketer of ability who is trying for a place in their national team. It will be interesting to see how he fares against Godwin who, after his fright in the second round, won solidly yesterday against Eggo of Guernsey. A third South African, Heyneman, a solid figure with an aggressive waggle, prevailed against McKellar because a player will come to grief here if he cannot drive, and McKellar was not driving well.

Groenwald became three down with some loose play against Williams but by the 15th he had won them all back and it was thought that his greater experience would see him through. He then took three from the edge of the 16th and lost the 17th where he put his short approach into a bunker and took three more to get out, so that Williams was presented with the match.

Behind him Jonas, an 18-year-old South African international, went out to Taee, a 19-year-old who left Millfield School last year and is having a great week. He has disposed of Lakshman Singh, last year's Indian champion, and an Irish international Mulcare. Jonas paid dearly for taking a three iron second at the 12th and striking the ball out of bounds, losing a hole which he seemed certain to win with his opponent looking like a five at the best.

On the British side Brodie, Godwin, McEvoy, McIntosh and the English champion Chapman are safely through but another seed Gordon Brand was removed by a 42-year-old Tasmanian over here for the first time. Brand in the long game looked a better player but it takes more than that to win matches, and he made some costly mistakes.

After Robison had taken the lead with a birdie at the 9th, Brand surprisingly took three putts at the 10th and, having reduced the gap to one by winning the 13th, missed the 14th green and lost that hole, and with it the chance to get his nose in front at the longer finishing holes.

McEvoy meets anoher England international, Hedges, this morning. Although the Australian threat is removed, the second quarter still has plenty of life in it. Brodie played well, justifying his seed, and meets Cowan, an American who has acquired a reputation here but not on any very solid grounds.

Below them come Suddards, who played especially well yesterday, with Downes not far away. Being fresh from his American university Downes tends not to consider his opponent but to keep his score. In his first two rounds he was seven under par for 28 holes. Against Tomlinson yesterday he advanced to ten under par but dropped to six under, which explains why he won only on the last green.

Second round

B. Evans (Langland Bay) 6 and 5 H. Jones (Rhuddlan); T. Williams (Llandudno) 2 and 1 E. Groenewald (SA); P. McKellar (East Renfrewshire) 2 and 1 J. Shoulding (March); P. Mulcare (Woodbrook) wo J. Pinsent (West Hove); J. Glover (Morecambe) 6 and 4 A. Feltham (Kingsdown).

C. Heyneman (SA) 2 and 1 J. Norbudy (Delamere Forest); N. Taee (Tannal) 1 hole P. Jonas (SA); R. Mackay (Australia) 1 hole M. Clayton (Australia); G. Bennett (US) 2 and 1 M. Sarsfield (Royal Liverpool); R. Broad (Radyr) 3 and 2 G. Broadbent (Bloxwich); G. Hutchinson (Moortown) 3 and 2 P. Dye (US); N. Mitchell (Hield) 7 and 5 K. Gray (Mortonhall).

A. Pierse (Tipperary) 3 and 2 T. Buchanan (US); P. Deeble (Alnmouth) 20th H. Green (Doncaster); R. Chapman (Langley Park) 4 and 3 R. Gaiser Jnr (US); G. Raines (US) 2 and 1 R. Clark (Waltham Heath); S. Gough (Kidderminster) 3 and 2 M. Christmas (Corhampton); K. Macintosh (Cardross) 5 and 4 M. Hughesdon (Sunningdale); M. Mouland (Glamorganshire) 4 and 3 P. Crowther (Royal …).

P. Garrigill (Moortown) 3 and 2 C. Dalgliah (Lanesburgh); R. Rafferty (Warrenpoint) 2 and 1 A. Rose (John O'Gaunt); B. Davidson (Knowle) 21st D. Ray (Long Ashton); M. Bonallack (Thorpe Hall) 3 and 1 J. Williams (US); M. Jewell (Saunton) 1 hole A. Disley (Tredegar Park); C. Mandesley (Hindhead) 2 and 1 M. Morris (Portmarnock); V. Singh (India) 1 hole A. Gelsthorpe (Renishaw Park).

I. Young (Baberton) 20th G. Coles (St George's Hill); D. Evans (Leeds) 3 and 2 M. Reynard (Moseley); B. Kissock (Bangor) 3 and 2 D. Hamilton Martin (Saunton); B. Carter (SA) 1 hole B. Rolfe (Ashburnham); R. Robinson (Australia) 20th G. Brand (Knowle); D. McCart (Rotherham) 19th K. Dolo (Canada).

Third round

R. Guy (Gog Magog); P. Hedges … P. McEvoy (Copt Heath) 6 and 4 (Langley Park) 3 and 2 R. Bevan (W Middlesex); C. Harrison (US) 3 and 1 I. Mackenzie (Hillsborough); N. Davies (Pontypool) 5 and 4 P. Way (Nevill); G. Macdonald (Canada) 3 and 2 I. Duffy (Tenby).

A. Parkin (Newtown) 1 hole N. Evans (Ryt Porthcawl); G. Godwin (Thornton Park) 3 and 2 R. Eggo (L'Ancresse); D. Lindsay-Smith (SA) 6 and 5 L. Morrow (Porthmadog); A. Brodie (Balmore) 1 hole P. Dennell (Mere); G. Cowan (US) 3 and 1 G. Isaac (Whitchurch); N. Lucas (Ellesborough) 2 and 1 G. Davies (Pontypool); D. Suddards (SA) 3 and 1 M. Hemphrey (Stanton-on-the-Wold); K. Flint (W Germany) 4 and 3 D. Brown (Nuneaton).

Baltusrol, becomes the first club to stage its sixth United States Open golf championship. It has been a golfing canctuary for the blue-bloods of New York; its original championship course was torn up because its members thought it was not good enough; it yielded the record aggregate score in a United States Open; it boasts the longest hole in United States open history, and has become the favourite site of the United States Golf Association.

In the early 1800s it was just rather hilly pasture land owned by a farmer named Baltus Roll (hence its name) who was hauled from his bed one winter's night by two ruffians convinced he had a hord of money hidden in the house. They dragged him outside, beat him up, bound him and left him in a snowdrift, where he died. One of the suspects committed suicide as police closed in. The other was acquitted on a technicality, but was jailed on forgery charges and died in prison.

…en Knight comes the blue sky quickly changes

…Ross
…FORD: Essex beat Surrey …s.

…he holders of the Benson …s Cup, put in to bat by …st year's beaten finalists, …i use of Knight's gesture …g 270 for five, a shade … runs an over. At Lord's Knight put Essex in and …was much the same.

… held up for 90 minutes …ry drizzle, began pro… but wickets fell at …tervals and they never …e within striking dis…y were all out, at 8.10.

…mid, hazy morning the …st bowlers, Jackman, …d Wilson aimed straight …full length, with some… conventional fields of …ach. The large, bearded …his first match of the …s the least effective of …s absurdly long run …to do nothing except tire him during the second part of the immense journey.

Denness took some time to get going, managing only three off the first ton overs, but Gooch was soon oozing confidence, hitting the over-pitched ball juicily back over the bowler's head and generally laying about him. At 34, ambling between the wickets, he nearly ran himself out, but otherwise seemed settled for the morning. Denness sent up the 50 after 13 overs with a glance to the boundary and he, too began to blossom under a blue sky.

At 69, however, Knight came on and the picture quickly changed, the next seven overs bringing only five runs and two wickets. Knight's first ball was a wide, but in the same over Gooch seemed to fancy his chances of hitting him into the river, missed and was bowled.

In his next over Knight beat Denness on the back stroke and had him leg-before. Knight, moving the ball about at medium pace, with his loose, high action, bowled cannily and well until he tired. Fletcher was almost caught at slip off him soon after his arrival and another wicket at this stage might have had Essex worried.

McEwan and Fletcher, though, drove fluently and scampered their singles. At lunch, with both of them established, Essex were 143 for two off 36 overs, a handy perch with 19 overs left. They accelerated smoothly afterwards until Jackman, returning, rattled Fletcher's stumps.

McEwan now began to swing his bat, moving down the pitch to Pocock and hoisting him for six over midwicket. Wilson bowled a second untidy spell and when Smith, with his odd, windmilling action, replaced him, McEwan struck him for a huge, straight six. In the same over, five short of his hundred, he swung a half-volley into Howarth's hands at deep square leg. He had hit three sixes and 11 fours in an ad lib-paced innings.

Pont soon had his stumps flattened by Clarke but Hardie kept the runs flowing until the end.

Surrey's left handed opening pair, Butcher and Clinton, batted with some composure and, running particularly well between the wickets, they took only two overs longer than Essex to reach 50. No sooner had they reached it, however, than Clinton, swinging Gooch high to long leg, was well taken by McEwan on the boundary.

Butcher and Howarth kept Surrey in the hunt until, at 97, Butcher went to drive Pont and was caught at the wicket by Smith standing up. Knight was going nicely until East held one back and he drove it a shade early.

Howarth meanwhile was taking runs steadily on both sides of the wicket. With the score at 131, he called Smith for a sharp single and Hardie at backward short leg threw his wicket down. That was the end of Surrey's chances.

ESSEX
G. A. Gooch, b Knight .. 43
M. H. Denness, lbw b Knight .. 16
K. S. McEwan, c Howarth, b Smith .. 95
K. W. R. Fletcher, b Jackman .. 36
B. R. Hardie, not out .. 37
K. R. Pont, b Clarke .. 5
S Turner, not out .. 5
Extras (b 4, lb 12, w 6) .. 22
Total (55 overs) .. 270
FALL OF WICKETS: 1—74, 2—75, 3—171, 4—240, 5—256.
BOWLING: Clarke, 11—3—37—1; Jackman, 11—1—42—1; Wilson, 7—1—43—0; Knight, 11—1—30—2; Pocock, 11—1—50—0; Smith, 4—0—37—1.

SURREY
A. R. Butcher, c Smith, b Pont .. 53
G. S. Clinton, c McEwan, b Gooch .. 28
G. P. Howarth, run out .. 43
*R. D. V. Knight, c Gooch, b East .. 11
D. M. Smith, b Phillip .. 15
M. A. Lynch, l-b-w, b Gooch .. 1
R. D. Jackman, not out .. 24
C. J. Richards, not out .. 4
Extras .. 21
Total (6 wkts, 46 overs) .. 173
FALL OF WICKETS: 1—52, 2—97, 3—118, 4—131, 5—134, 6—144.
Umpires: R. Julien and J. G. Langridge.

…bury programme

[2.0] …R JEST HANDICAP (£1,138 : 1m)
Carriage Way (D), N. Callaghan, 6-10-0 .... S. Dennison 6
Martial Arts (D), J. Tree, 4-9-11 .... M. Ayles 3 12
Kingsthorn, I. Walker, 4-9-11 .... I. Fortune 11
Crown Witness (D), W. Hern, 4-9-4 .... W. Tanner 7
Pledge, H. Candy, 7-9-3 .... K. Finnegan 3
Fidibus (D), B. Hills, 4-8-11 .... K. Willey 3 11
Monte Acuto (D), G. Harwood, 6-8-10 .... A. Walsh 3 16
Eyelight, R. Houghton, 3-8-8 .... D. Price 3 8
Malvan (D), R. Turnell, 4-8-5 .... G. Brown 4
Smith Seal (D), A. Johnson, 5-7-13 .... N. Carlisle 2
Gimri, C. Benstead, 7-7-11 .... R. Shelton 3 14
Nickadventure (D), R. Hannon, 4-7-7 .... A. McGlone 10
Our Birthday (D), C. Benstead, 4-7-7 .... M. Saunders 5
Skateboard, W. Wightman, 4-7-7 .... Miss K. Newman 3 1
White Domino (D), R. Hollinshead, 5-7-7 .... K. Bell 13
Rose of Shenfield, M. Haynes, 4-7-7 .... T. Harding 3 17
Last Event, C. Austin, 3-7-7 .... I. Sweetapple 3 9
…n Witness, 7-2 Eyelight, 9-2 Smith Seal, 6-1 Carriage Way, 8-1 …e, 10-1 Martial Arts, 14-1 Monte Acuto, 16-1 Fidibus, 20-1 others.

…NETT STAKES (Div I : Maidens : 2-y-o : £1,878 : 6f)
Abo Ace, M. Ryan, 9-0 .... P. D'Arcy 4
Bold Raider, W. Hern, 9-0 .... W. Carson 15
Bonnie Charlie, G. Harwood, 9-0 .... G. Starkey 14
Cardinal Walk, R. Hannon, 9-0 .... P. Eddery 2
Cifonelli, H. Price, 9-0 .... B. Taylor 10
Duke of Brittany, B. Woodman, 9-0 .... P. Waldron 7
Frome, R. Smyth, 9-0 .... I. Jenkinson 9
Musical Bridge, J. Tree, 9-0 .... S. Raymont 3 8
Pitsbird, T. Gosling, 9-0 .... L. Piggott 12
Rekal, C. Brittain, 9-0 .... S. Cauthen 1
Robelline, I. Balding, 9-0 .... J. Matthias 6
Schiller, H. Price, 9-0 .... A. Bond 6
Steal Pass, G. Hunter, 9-0 .... P. Cook 3
Thunder Wonder, D. Elsworth, 9-0 .... R. Fox 11
Teptool, P. Cundell, 9-0 .... B. Rouse 16
…ie Charlie, 7-2 Bold Raider, 5-1 Cifonelli, 7-1 Steal Pass, 8-1 …ge, 12-1 Schiller, 14-1 Rekal, 16-1 others.

…BURY SUMMER CUP (Handicap : £3,492 : 1¼m)
Shady Nook (CD), H. Blagrave, 5-10-0 .... S. Raymont 3 4
Donegal Prince, P. Kelleway, 4-9-11 .... W. Carson 3
Russian George (D), G. Hunter, 4-9-5 .... P. Cook 1
Rheinman, C. Nelson, 4-8-12 .... L. Piggott 2
…y Nook, 9-4 Russian George, 3-1 Donegal Prince, 11-2 Rheinman.

…SSCLERE STAKES (2-y-o : Fillies : £3,941 : 6f)
Sharp Venita (C), P. Cole, 8-13 .... G. Baxter 3
Bellicosa, E. Reavey, 8-8 .... P. Eddery 5
Chateau Dancer, H. Price, 8-4 .... B. Taylor 8
Golden Bowl, I. Balding, 8-4 .... J. Matthias 1
Kittyhawk, W. Hern, 8-4 .... W. Carson 7
La Seine, S. Matthews, 8-4 .... K. Thodey 7 2
Nabila, L. Cumani, 8-4 .... L. Piggott 4
Rosy Cottage, B. Hills, 8-4 .... S. Cauthen 9
Sterridge Valley, C. Hill, 8-4 .... — 6
…teau Dancer, 7-2 Kittyhawk, 4-1 Sharp Venita, 11-2 Golden Bowl, 10-1 Rosy Cottage, 14-1 others.

…LL HANDICAP (3-y-o : £1,929 : 1m 3f)
Tholt E. Will, B. Hills, 9-7 .... R. Street 3
Prince of Padua, H. Cecil, 9-6 .... P. Eddery 7
Hartsfield, D. Laing, 9-5 .... B. Jago 2
Xian, G. Hunter, 8-13 .... P. Cook 4
Princely Dancer, R. Akehurst, 8-10 .... S. Cauthen 6
Princely Dancer, R. Akehurst, 8-10 .... S. Cauthen 6
Comedy Croft, R. Hannon, 8-4 .... G. Baxter 4
Champagne Charlie, P. M. Taylor, 8-2 .... W. Newnes 3 8
Signmaker, R. Hannon, 7-7 .... A. McGlone 7 1
…e of Padua, 3-1 Hartsfield, 9-2 Comedy Croft, 8-1 Champagne …l Crispin, 14-1 Tholt E. Will, 16-1 others.

…DREY STAKES (3-y-o : £1,942 : 1m 5f)
Blakes Beacon, P. Walwyn, 9-0 .... P. Eddery 2
Boost, N. Vigors, 9-0 .... R. Curant 15
Ditton Wood, H. Wragg, 9-0 .... G. Starkey 17
Eight Dimes, E. Reavey, 9-0 .... B. Rouse 11
Falkland Palace, H. Candy, 9-0 .... P. Waldron 3
Grindstone, M. Stoute, 9-0 .... L. Piggott 12
Ladoga, J. Tree, 9-0 .... B. Taylor 14
Painted Saint, D. Arch, 9-0 .... C. Moss 7
Sir Doro, C. Brittain, 9-0 .... S. Cauthen 10
Summer Frolic, M. Smyly, 9-0 .... F. Morby 4
Thahul, R. Houghton, 9-0 .... J. Reid 1
Tracys Special, R. Hannon, 9-0 .... G. Ramshaw
Blaze of Glory, W. Hern, 8-11 .... W. Carson 6
Boxberger Ribie, C. Nelson, 8-11 .... T. Rogers 13
Keelmore, P. Cole, 8-11 .... G. Baxter 8
Latakia, J. Bethell, 8-11 .... P. Cook 16
Xarfina, W. Wightman, 8-11 .... S. Wolley 5 9
…s Beacon, 7-2 Grindstone, 4-1 Blaze of Glory, 6-1 Ladoga, 10-1 …lace, 14-1 Sir Doro, 16-1 Thahul, 20-1 Keelmore, 25-1 others.

…NETT STAKES (Div II : Maidens : 2-y-o : £1,864 : 6f)
Admiral's Heir, P. Cole, 9-0 .... G. Baxter 7
Buckeye, W. Hern, 9-0 .... W. Carson 10
Cima, J. Old, 9-0 .... J. Matthias 8
Dead Straight, R. Smyth, 9-0 .... G. Ramshaw 11
Intercontinental, E. Eldin, 9-0 .... A. Bond 9
Losanges Bleu, R. Hannon, 9-0 .... P. Eddery 5
Pellegrini, H. Price, 9-0 .... B. Taylor 12
Perdiccas, C. Austin, 9-0 .... S. Cauthen 3
Rahway, B. Hobbs, 9-0 .... B. Jago 14
Red Gold, P. Cundell, 9-0 .... P. Cook 13
Roan Mist, D. Kent, 9-0 .... B. Rouse 13
Rocker, J. D.-Home, 9-0 .... R. Curant 2
Roofer, M. Ryan, 9-0 .... P. Tulk 6
Takeafence, M. McCormack, 9-0 .... F. Morby 4
Whittington, G. Balding, 9-0 .... R. Weaver 1
…ere, 7-2 Red Gold, 4-1 Pellegrini, 6-1 Rahway, 8-1 Intercontinental, …al's Heir, 16-1 Roan Mist, 20-1 others.
* Doubtful runner

A doubly sweet afternoon for Candy and Waldron

By Michael Phillips
Racing Correspondent

Henry Candy and Philip Waldron combined to win both the races for two-year-olds at Newbury yesterday. Palumba set the ball rolling when she won the Ilsley Maiden Stakes by four lengths. An hour and a half later Cut Throat made their day complete when he won the Berkshire Stakes. In each case Waldron more than earned his riding fee.

By winning as well as she did Palumba paid a vivid tribute to Nasseem, the filly who had beaten her by four lengths at Salisbury eight days earlier. No wonder Nasseem's trainer, Fulke Johnson Houghton, has designs on the Queen Mary Stakes at Royal Ascot next week. Palumba may still take her on again, but that very much depends on how she fairs at home in the meantime. Cut Throat is definitely earmarked for the Coventry Stakes at Ascot though and judged on the way he ran on and on yesterday he will be much more at ease racing over the slightly longer distance there. Wearing the colours that were associated in the past with such good winners as Parbury and King Midas, Waldron had to work hard on Cut Throat before he was sure of another visit to the winner's enclosure.

Toby Balding's winner was Alpine Rocket, who just managed to pip Tarvie to the post in an exciting race for the George Smith Memorial Handicap. The disappointment that Peter Walwyn felt at not seeing Tarvie quite win the race run in memory of a friend, should have been partly washed away by the sight of his useful filly, Norfolk Gal, landing the odds in the Twyford Stakes. A beautifully bred filly by Blakeney out of Lucyrowe, Norfolk Gal is already crying out for a mile and a half and that is precisely what she will encounter for the first time in the Ribblesdale Stakes at Ascot next week.

At Newbury today the Summer Cup may be won by Shady Nook for the second year in succession. Herbert Blagrave's five-year-old has a fine record on the course having won over a mile and a quarter and 11 furlongs there in addition to a mile and a half. When he won the London Gold Cup last month Shady Nook finished better than Russian George, who is one of his three opponents today.

In the meantime Russian George has won at Leicester. That means that Shady Nook will be meeting him on slightly better terms this time because he has been penalized. In the circumstances Rheinman could prove a greater danger to my selection provided that he is on his best behaviour. He was unruly at the start at the London Gold Cup where he unseated his rider. But before that he had run Russian George to a length at Haydock and today he will be meeting him on 11lb better terms.

Golden Bowl is arguably the most interesting runner in the field for the Kingsclere Stakes, even though she has never run. She is the first foal out of that good race mare, Rose Bowl, by the Arc winner Vaguely Noble. Since Mr Mellon bought Rose Bowl in a package deal from the late Charles Engelhard's widow, Jane, the family has achieved even greater fame on this side of the Atlantic, thanks to the achievements of her half brother, Ile de Bourbon.

Hilton joins Germans

John Hilton, the European table tennis champion, left English title holders Milton Keynes to join the German side ATSV Saarbrucken for a record £1,000

Tre Fontane may be fast enough to defy low draw

By Michael Seely

Jimmy Etherington can win the Massey two-year-old trophy at Beverley this afternoon with Tre Fontane. Peter Easterby's former stable jockey is one of the shrewdest operators in the country. In 1978 Etherington produced Fear Naught to land a gamble in the Royal Hunt Cup at Ascot. And last season Tesoro Mio overwhelmed Town and Country and Haul Knight in the Magnet Cup at York.

Earlier this year the trainer's Malton stable was plagued with the virus. His horses have only started to find their form in the past fortnight. And Tre Fontane was impressive when beating the odds-on favourite, I'll See You, at the Doncaster Spring Bank Holiday meeting. The two-year-old was far from friendless in the market, being supported from 20-1 down to 14-1.

Of today's rivals the Brocklesby Stakes winner, Gamma, probably has too much to do at the weights. And Tre Fontane's principal opponents will be Sunny Smile, Captain White and Ruswarp. All three were successful last time out. Sunny Smile has won his only two races for Eric Eldin. Captain White will be trying to repeat the victory of Sonnen Gold in this race last year for the versatile Peter Easterby. And Ruswarp's decisive defeat of Hexgreave Star, at an earlier meeting on this course also represents useful form.

Low numbers in the draw are a definite drawback over Beverley's dog-leg five furlongs. None of the fancied runners are favoured in this respect, but Tre Fontane has the worst draw of all in stall No 1. But although the colt now has the additional bogey of being my selection, Tre Fontane is still taken to overcome both these drawbacks.

The Watt Memorial Stakes is always an interesting race. Last season Serge Lifar just prevailed in an exciting finish with Cunard, Pollerton and Sea Pigeon. This afternoon's race appears to be dominated by Golden River and Prince Rheingold. Golden River was one of Henry Cecil's better three-year-olds last season. Jim Joel's colt won his last three races and previously finished second to Torus in the March Stakes at the Goodwood meeting transferred to Ascot. Golden River has been slow to come to hand this season, but showed signs of a return to form when fourth to Balinger at Haydock. He is reported to be well fancied.

However, Prince Rheingold is preferred. John Dunlop's four-year-old ran a storming race when runner-up to Gregorian in the Westbury Stakes at Sandown Park. He then disappointed when last behind More Light in the Jockey Club stakes at Newmarket. However, after a confidence-boosting victory over some modest rivals at Pontefract, the former French-trained colt may make the most of the 7lb he receives from Golden River.

For the day's best bet I shall take a chance with another of Dunlop's raiders from Sussex, Cannon King, who runs in the Londesborough handicap. Cannon King has shown little in his two outings this season and has not been seen out since April. If finding the ability which saw him win three handicaps off the reel last autumn, Cannon King will be hard to beat.

STATE OF GOING: Beverley: Good to firm. Newbury: Good. Sandown Park (tomorrow): Good to firm. York (tomorrow) Good to firm.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS: All engagements (dead): Bindaloo, Manrico, King Rama, Charlton Fox, Pharaohs Dream, Ascurry Mill, Conderian, Hunham Girl, Mickley Seabright, Rajah, Owain, Pellonius.

House Guard shut out as Rostov steals home again

From Desmond Stoneham
French Racing Correspondent
Paris, June 11

The 6-1 chance, Rostov, won his fourth consecutive race when taking the group three Prix du Chemin de Fer Nord at Chantilly this afternoon. At the post, Rostov and Freddie Head were a neck in front of Hilal, with Discretion threequarters o fa length away, third.

Aage Paus is tempted to race Rostov in next Tuesday's Queen Anne Stakes at Royal Ascot, but the six-year-old is more likely to be rested until the Prix Messidor at Maisons-Laffitte on June 20. Head and Rostov took the lead off Marquis du Loir at the entrance to the straight and the pair first held off Discretion and then Hilal.

Lester Piggott did not have much luck in the race on House Guard. Shut in last on the rails until one and a half furlongs out, House Guard then finished fastest of all, but too late. As House Guard's lad explained: "My fella hardly had a race, so he should be fresh next time out".

There will be at least six runners from France at Royal Ascot this year, starting with River River, a close fourth in the Prix Jean de Chaudenay last month, who runs in the Prince of Wales's Stakes.

John Fellows runs Ancient Regime, a four-length winner of her only race, in the Queen Mary Stakes next Wednesday, when Light of Realm, fourth to Baptism at Longchamp on June 1, goes for the Coronation Stakes. Croque Monsieur seems the only likely challenger for the Gold Cup, but there will be two well-fancied raiders on the final day of the meeting.

Scorpio, who has won both his races this year, runs in the Hardwicke Stakes, and Manjam, who beat three English and Irish challegers in the Prix du Petit-Couvert at Longchamp last October, goes for the King's Stand Stakes.

PRIX DU CHEMIN DE FER DU NORD (Group III: £16,750: 1m)
ROSTOV, b h by Advocator—Perity (L. Lipman) 6-9-2 .... F. Head 1
Hilal .... A. Gibert 2
Discretion .... M. Philipperon 3
ALSO RAN: House Guard (4th), Kilijaro, Calho, Manguin, Marquis Deloir. 8 ran.
PARI-MUTUEL: 7.10 fr; places, 2.60, 1.40, 2.00. A. Paus. nk, 1l. 1 min 37.4 sec.

Beverley programme

2.15 BRANTINGHAM STAKES (Selling : 2-y-o : £706 : 5f)
2 Cherry Corner, Hbt Jones, 8-11 .... E. Hide 5
3 Forestiers Lad, S. Wainwright, 8-11 .... L. Charnock 1
4 0 Just Archy, A. Smith, 8-11 .... N. Crowther 8
8 Bar Room Girl, A. Johnson, 8-8 .... T. Rogers 3
9 03024 Gilla's Secret, K. Stone, 8-8 .... M. Birch 2
10 000 Cristina Times, P. Rohan, 8-8 .... J. Seagrave 10
11 00 Katy Liz, W. Wharton, 8-8 .... W. Wharton 6
14 00 Needwood Nap, J. FitzGerald, 8-8 .... E. Johnson 7
15 00222 Phoebegee, P. Rohan, 8-8 .... C. Dwyer 9
16 00 Turquey Terri, F. Dever, 8-8 .... N. Connorton 5 4
7-4 Gilla's Secret, 9-4 Phoebegee, 5-1 Katy Liz, 7-1 Cristina Times, 8-1 Cherry Corner, 10-1 others.

2.45 LONDESBOROUGH STAKES (Handicap : £1,136 : 1m)
3 004000- Nonchalant (D), A. Smith, 5-9-3 .... J. Mercer 1
4 2111-00 Cannon King (D), J. Dunlop, 4-9-3 .... E. Hide 13
7 41-0030 Prince (CD), K. Stone, 6-8-1 .... M. Wigham 10
8 00-00 Reppin Castle (CD), J. Bingham, 6-8-1 .... M. Birch 8
9 222-00 Baker Street, G. Toft, 4-7-12 .... S. Lawes 3
10 200-002 Chads Gamble (C), J. Bethell, 5-7-12 .... W. R. Swinburn 5 12
11 40-0014 Prince of Light (D), Denys Smith, 5-7-11 .... J. Lowe 5
12 1020-00 Jota (CD), W. Wharton, 4-7-10 .... K. Hodgson 5 11
13 431040- Be My Sweet (D), J. W. Watts, 4-7-9 .... A. Mercer 5 3
14 000-00 Bajas Dancer, S. Palling, 4-7-7 .... C. Evans 7 6
15 [illegible] Tyran, N. Adam, 4-7-7 .... A. Nesbitt 5 4
16 3000-00 SMC Special (D), N. Adam, 5-7-7 .... L. Charnock 14
17 1020-01 Spartan Call, M. Haynes, 5-7-7 .... C. Johnson 7
18 1000-00 Danny Sidder (D), M. Camacho, 4-7-7 .... K. Darley 9
9-4 Cannon King, 11-4 Chads Gamble, 9-2 Spartan Call, 6-1 Prince of Light, 8-1 Jota, 10-1 Be My Sweet, 12-1 others.

3.15 MASSEY TROPHY (2-y-o : £2,742 : 5f)
1 114 Gamma (D), W. Wharton, 9-4 .... W. Wharton 11
3 11 Sunny Smile (D), E. Eldin, 9-4 .... P. Madden 6
4 212 Andy Lou (D), G. Toft, 9-1 .... S. Lawes 5 3
5 01 Captain White (D), M. H. Easterby, 9-1 .... M. Birch 7
6 414 Loch Boyle (D), C. Gray, 9-1 .... E. Apter 12
12 1 Ruswarp (CD), D. Garraton, 9-1 .... G. Duffield 2
13 02 Pargoda, M. W. Easterby, 8-11 .... T. Lucas 13
14 032 Remosa, S. Wainwright, 8-11 .... J. Skilling 5
15 30 Russian Romance, C. Brittain, 8-11 .... J. Mercer 9
16 Southern Wind, Hbt Jones, 8-11 .... E. Hide 10
17 Supertramp, J. FitzGerald, 8-11 .... G. Oldroyd 8
18 01 Tre Fontane (D), J. Etherington, 9-1 .... J. Seagrave 1
19 Marldar, M. W. Easterby, 8-8 .... G. Cadwaladr 4
13-8 Sunny Smile, 7-2 Captain White, 9-2 Pargoda, 8-1 Ruswarp, 10-1 Gamma, 12-1 Andy Lou, 14-1 Tre Fontane, 16-1 others.

3.45 WATT STAKES (£2,414 : 1¼m)
1 0- Chabrias, A. Jarvis, 5-9-4 .... J. Seagrave 1
2 0300-04 Ciste, G. Huffer, 5-9-4 .... N. Miller 4
3 2111-34 Golden River (D), H. Cecil, 4-9-4 .... J. Mercer 3
4 304-201 Prince Rheingold, J. Dunlop, 4-8-11 .... E. Hide 5
5 340000- Bleu Nuit, A. Jarvis, 5-9-4 .... — 2
7 1022-11 Cypo, A. Jarvis, 6-9-4 .... — 6
10 0000-1 York Cottage (D), W. Elsey, 3-7-8 .... J. Lowe 7
11-8 Prince Rheingold, 15-8 Golden River, 11-2 Ciste, 7-1 York Cottage, 12-1 Cypo, 16-1 others.

4.15 ETTON STAKES (Handicap : £1,033 : 2m)
2 0-02141 Ribble Rouser (CD), W. G. Watts, 7-9-11 .... M. Wood 5 11
3 00-0010 Happy Worker (CD), M. W. Easterby, 5-9-7 .... T. Lucas 1
4 0- Princely Fool, S. Palling, 5-9-3 .... J. Higgins 3
6 130-043 Malpaso (CD), A. Johnson, 4-9-3 .... T. Rogers 7
7 0 Poachers Fine (D), R. Whitaker, 5-9-3 .... J. Stockton 7 10
8 20-0000 Systems Analysis, A. Goodwill, 4-9-1 .... E. Johnson 6
9 102-003 Miss Honeypenny, D. Weeden, 4-9-1 .... P. Young 4
10 002000 Flight Sheet, K. Stone, 4-8-7 .... M. Wigham 8
11 [illegible] Boreas, S. Nesbitt, 5-8-5 .... A. Nesbitt 5 2
13 0-0 Tubainik, J. Felgate, 6-7-11 .... N. Miller 9
14 1-40004 La Fille, J. Berry, 4-7-9 .... K. Darley 5
7-4 Ribble Rouser, 3-1 Malpaso, 5-1 Miss Honeypenny, 7-1 Happy Worker, 10-1 La Fille, 12-1 others.

4.45 GRANDSTAND SWEEPSTAKES (Handicap : £1,261 : 5f)
2 1040-00 Elderberry (CD), T. Molony, 4-9-8 .... S. Parr 5 7
4 0021-22 Wedding Vows (D), W. Haigh, 4-9-4 .... S. Webster 1
5 0202-00 Lana's Secret (D), M. H. Easterby, 4-9-4 .... M. Birch 10
6 4300-10 Clintwood (D), J. Fitzgerald, 8-9-3 .... E. Johnson 5
7 030130- Fine Season (D), Hbt Jones, 4-9-0 .... J. Seagrave 2
8 03-4312 Caledonian, J. Calvert, 4-8-8 .... G. Duffield 3
10 10004-0 Tom Dowdeswell (D), J. Bethell, 4-7-13 .... W. R. Swinburn 7 4
11 00-0004 Mae Mae (D), N. Adam, 3-7-11 .... L. Charnock 6
12 4-00100 French Touch (D), A. Balding, 3-7-7 .... A. Nesbitt 5 8
15 4020-0 Sauls Son (D), W. C. Watts, 4-7-7 .... M. Wood 5 9
2-1 Weddings Vows, 3-1 Elderberry, 9-2 Caledonian, 5-1 Lana's Secret, 10-1 Clintwood, 14-1 others.

Beverley selections

By Michael Seely
2.15 Needwood Nap. 2.45 CANNON KING is specially recommended. 3.15 Tre Fontane. 3.45 Prince Rheingold. 4.15 Ribble Rouser. 4.45 Elderberry.
By Our Newmarket Correspondent
3.15 Sunny Smile. 3.45 Golden River. 4.15 Miss Honeypenny.

Newbury selections

By Our Racing Correspondent
2.0 Smith Seal. 2.30 Bold Raider. 3.0 Shady Nook. 3.30 CHATEAU DANCER is specially recommended. 4.0 Hartsfield. 4.30 Grindstone. 5.0 Red Gold.
By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.0 Crown Witness. 2.30 Rekal. 3.0 Donegal Prince. 4.0 Prince of Padua. 4.30 Grindstone. 5.0 Rahway.

…ry results

…ILSLEY STAKES (2-y-o: …5f)
… b f, by Derring-Do—…ra E. Holland-Martin) … P. Waldron (5-4 fav) 1
… A. C. Rawlinson (33-1) 2
…incess .. R. Fox (33-1) 3
…AN: 7-4 Bright Landing, …igeration, 14-1 Portaluca …ear Delight, 16-1 Mrs …-1 Follow Me Home, Tri…-1 La Lucia, Pat's Song, …on Song, Savage Sally. 14 …

…in, 17p; places, 12p, £5.98, …orecast, £29.80. CSF, £5… at Wantage. 4l, nk. 1min …

…4) HERMITAGE STAKES …1m)
… b g, by Mill Reef—All … (P. Mellon), 3-8-8 … J. Matthias (14-1) 1
…flint .. P. Eddery (11-8) 2
… S. Cauthen (12-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 15-8 fav Savile Row, 11-2 Whitehall Bridge, 6-1 Sharp Deal, 10-1 Kilroy Hawk, 16-1 Prince Nonoalco, 20-1 Great Ranger, 33-1 A Tuneful Song, Best Always, Crested Lark, Iron Lad, Pretty Useful, 66-1 Tom Strauss, Hadera (4th), Saint Motunde, Wadr. 18 ran.

TOTE: Win, 79p; places, 21p, 15p, 34p; dual forecast, £2.09. CSF, £9.… I. Balding, at Kingsclere. 4l, hd. 1min 39.58sec.

3.0 (3.4) GEORGE SMITH HANDICAP (3-y-o: £2,255: 6f)
ALPINE ROCKET, ch c, by Shiny Tenth — Dusty Bluebell (M. Shiel), 7-10 .. W. Higgins (9-2) 1
Tarvie .... P. Eddery (6-1) 2
Enchantment . W. Carson (9-4 fav) 3
ALSO RAN: 6-1 Copper Beeches, Maratain, 8-1 Going Steal, 12-1 In Rhythm, 14-1 Old Dominion (4th), 16-1 Rosette, 20-1 Gin Game, 33-1 Leith Princess. 11 ran.
TOTE: Win, 49p; places, 13p, 17p, 13p; dual forecast, £1.66. CSF, £5.36. G. Balding, at Weyhill. ¾l, 2l. 1min 15.15sec.

3.30 (3.32) BERKSHIRE STAKES (2-y-o: £5,020: 5f)
CUT THROAT, br c, by Sharpen Up—Zantedeschia (Capt M. Clark), … P. Waldron (8-11 fav) 1
Steel Garrison, G. Starkey (7-2) 2
Dalegarth, ... R. Curant (33-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 11-2 Barnet Heir, 15-2 Secret Harbour (4th). 5 ran.
TOTE, Win, 13p. Dual F: 25p. CSF: 34p. H. Candy, at Wantage, 1½l, 2l. 1min 4.47sec.

4.0 (4.3) NETHERTON HANDICAP (£1,959: 1m 5f 60yds).
SIMPSON JERSEY, br h, by Highland Melody—Leisure Hour (Graphic and Display Products Ltd), 6-7-12 .... W. Carson (4-1) 1
Hanggeng, ... R. Fox (10-1) 2
Dogwalk, P. Eddery (11-4 fav) 3
ALSO RAN, 11-2 Leodegrance, 6-1 Dui Monsieur, 8-1 Queen's Garden, 14-1 Slitherum, 16-1 Christmas Visit, Tudor Walk (4th), 50-1 City Link Lad, Nett-Rate. 11 ran. Royal's Joy did …

TOTE: Win, 46p, places, 14p, 26p, 17p, Dual F: £1.27. CSF: £4.42. R. McMahon, at Tamworth. 4l, 8l. 3min 56.90sec.

4.30 (4.32) TWYFORD STAKES (3-y-o fillies: £2,750: 1¼m)
NORFOLK GAL, b f, by Blakeney—Lucyrowe (L. Freedman), 8-7 … P. Eddery 4-7 fav 1
Miss Nenstrie, G. Starkey (10-1) 2
Palmella .... J. Mercer (8-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 11-2 Deadly Serious (4th), 8-1 Taverne De France, 25-1 Ultra Vires, 50-1 Anne Bonny, Nunswalk. 8 ran.
TOTE: Win, 15p; places, 10p, 29p, 14p. Dual F: 46p. CSF: 72p. P. Walwyn, at Lambourn. 3l, 1½l. 2min 12.61 sec.

TOTE DOUBLE: Millbank and Alpine Rocket, £110.10. TREBLE: Alpine Rocket, Cut Throat and Simpson Jersey £20.50. JACKPOT: £517.75. Pool of £515.60 carried forward to today. Placepot: £5.65.

Great Yarmouth

2.15 (2.16) BURGESSES STAKES (Handicap: Apprentices: £934: 7f)
CARLYLE, gr c, by Wolver Hollow—Sunblast (Mrs N. Phillips), 5-9-4 .... N. Day (4-1) 1
Croftball .... G. Thomas (6-1) 2
Dremels .... M. Rimmer (11-2) 3
ALSO RAN: 5-2 fav Show of Hands, 6-1 Low Mileage, 15-8 Lady Whitefoot, 20-1 Rotingo (4th), 40-1 Saintly Sovereign. 8 ran.
TOTE: Win, 41p; places, 15p, 11p, 19p; dual forecast, £1.05. CSF: £2.76. 2½l, 1½l. H. Cecil, at Newmarket.

2.45 (2.46) FLEGGS STAKES (2-y-o; selling; £645; 6f)
BRIAN'S LADY, b f, by Dawn Review—Edwarth Lady (R. Elliott) 8-8 .. P. Cook (6-1) 1
Allied Cardiff .. M. Rimmer (14-1) 2
Hopeful Princess .... P. Robinson (12-1) 3

ALSO RAN: Evens fav Dawn's Delight (4th), 13-2 Good Girl Tess, 8-1 Laumina, 9-1 Dacing Bear, 14-1 Queensbury Girl. 8 ran.
TOTE: Win, 64p; places, 16p, 46p, 21p; dual forecast, £5.06. CSF: £8.87. 1½l, 1½l. M. Ryan, at Newmarket. The winner was sold to Mr J. Bishop for 1,500 guineas.

3.15 (3.16) HARLEBURGH STAKES (Handicap: 3-y-o: £1,716: 1m 2f)
NORFOLK FLIGHT, b s, by Blakeney—First Light (G. Tufts), 7-10 .. E. Johnson (6-1) 1
Strem .... M. Rimmer (33-1) 2
Quilwo Hai .. B. Crossley (30-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 6-4 fav Coral Leisure, 11-4 Nahane (4th), 14-1 Crusaders Dream, 16-1 Hamala, Sharpener, 20-1 Forest Grove. 9 ran.
TOTE: Win, 38p; places, 11p, 56p, 26p; dual forecast, £19.55; CSF: £15.50. ¾l, 1½l. W. Hastings-Bass, at Newmarket.

3.45 (3.52) THREE HERRINGS STAKES (Handicap: £1,558: 1m 6f)
ANKUS, b g, by Fine Blade—Persuader (Sir K. Butt) 4-8-0 .... G. Baxter (2-1 fav) 1
Sunset Ray, .. M. Rimmer (7-2) 2
Pink Tank, J. McCaughlin (16-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 7-3 Down to Darkie, 11-2 Welsh Carnival, 9-1 Classic Athena (4th), 20-1 Gorsky, 50-1 General Supremo. 8 ran.
TOTE: Win, 27p; places, 13p, 24p, 21p; dual forecast 74p. CSF: 93p. 1½l, 1½l. B. Hobbs, at Newmarket.

4.15 (4.20) KITTY WITCHES (2-y-o maiden fillies: £1,182: 5f 25yd)
ROSE OF RABY, b f by Averof—Softly Glowing (Mrs R. Newton 8-11 .... E. Johnson (11-2) 1
Star Issue, .. P. Robinson (16-1) 2
Winnings the Game S. Parr (33-1) 3
ALSO RAN: Evens fav Hazing, 2-1 Hills Realm (4th), 20-1 La Pimpernelle, Signa, 33-1 Noble Dream, Third Generation, Bisonette. 10 ran.

TOTE: Win, 68p; places, 18p, 16p, 55p dual forecast: £1.47. CSF: £9.07. 5l, short head. T. Waugh, at Newmarket.

4.45 (4.46) DOMESDAY STAKES (3-y-o maidens, £1,145: 1m 3f 100yd)
MERCILESS KING, br c by No Mercy-My Mary (Mrs A. Johnstone) 8-6 .... M. Rimmer (11-8 fav) 1
Cala Ratjada .... N. Day (20-1) 2
Southern Breeze, J. Higgins (7-2) 3
ALSO RAN: 5-1 Denston, 7-1 Rebel Yell (4th), Wishy Copse, 20-1 Falcon's Tartar, 33-1 Pretty Sharp, Silken Sheba. 9 ran.
TOTE: Win, 25p; places, 16p, 25p, 20p. Dual forecast: £1.87. CSF: £5.09. Nk, 1l. G. Pritchard-Gordon, at Newmarket.

TOTE DOUBLE: Brians Lady and Norfolk Flight: £55.10. TREBLE: Norfolk Flight, Ankus and Rose of Raby: £57.60. PLACEPOT: £400.75. Pool (£458) carried forward to Newbury today.

SPORT

Rugby Union

Irvine at speed on a previons South African tour, in 1974.

Carleton chosen in spite of injury

From Richard Streeton
Johannesburg, June 11

John Carleton retains the right wing position for the British Isles against South Africa at Bloemfontein on Saturday in the second international. Carleton played with his damaged ribs heavily strapped yesterday at Springs and will do so again this weekend. Though he reported no physical reaction after the game with Eastern Transvaal, Carleton's inclusion must be something of a gamble. Nobody doubts his determination and courage but the rib cartilage trouble he suffered in the first international 10 days ago was the sort of injury that normally needs three weeks or more to heal.

The Lions make five changes, all in the backs, compared with the side beaten by South Africa at Cape Town, two of them enforced. Only Carleton and Patterson at scrum half keep their places. Irvine takes over at full back from O'Donnell, Woodward and Gravell are named at centre for Richards and Renwick, Hay is included on the left wing for Slemen, and Davies comes in at stand-off for Ward. The forwards are unaltered with Clive Williams holding off the challenge of Orr at loose head. Williams' superior scrummaging presumably outweighed the advantages of Orr's mobility in the loose.

Irvine today was reported by Syd Millar, the Lions manager, to be winning the battle to cure his minor thigh strain. The inclusion of Irvine and Davies, of course, makes this a far stronger side in attack than that which played in the first international and the back division also looks sounder in defence. Renwick's tackling and covering fallings always made him liable to be superseded by the sturdier Gravell and circumstances have brought Hay into the line. Hay has enough speed to do the winger's job as he has proved for Scotland and he provides additional cover for Irvine at the back.

Woodward was ear-marked for the right wing but Carleton's unexpected availability has scotched that plan. The selectors had to find a place for him, his penetrative running being badly needed now that Slemen has gone home. He replaces the injured Richards and if he tackles as well as he did last Saturday against Transvaal, earlier doubts about that aspect of his game can be forgotten.

Only Holmes, whose tour is almost certainly finished, and Tomes, who has influenza, were absent as the Lions did two hours' hard training today at the Wanderer's stadium before flying to Bloemfontein at tea time. Particular attention at the practice was paid to lineout drills and scrummaging with the international pack often wheeling the scrummage on the opposition's put-in. Robbie, who is now expected to stay with the tour to cover Holmes's absence, has recovered from his swollen ankle and took a full part. Both he and Campbell are named among the replacements.

Mr Millar again declined today to comment on the widely criticized refereeing in yesterday's game at Springs but disclosed that a number of "notable people" in South African rugby had apologized to him after the game. Speaking in general terms, Mr Millar said it would be good if South African referees broadened their experience by officiating abroad, especially in Europe. The Lions, meanwhile had no complaints about M Palmade, the French referee at Cape Town and who again has charge next Saturday. "We have no complaints about his lineout interpretations and other things, and we lost the match" Mr Millar said. In contrast the South Africans have asked for clarification talks with M Palmade, who has agreed to meet Springbok officials but has asked that the Lions also be represented at the meeting, which will probably take place on Friday. Remembering all the heartaches that Lions sides have had in the past with South African referees, the pendulum has certainly swung a long way.

British Isles: A. R. Irvine, J. Carleton, T. R. Woodward, R. W. R. Gravell, R. H. Hay, W. G. Davies, C. R. Patterson, C. Williams, P. J. Wheeler, C. Price, W. B. Beaumont (captain), R. J. Colclough, J. P. O'Driscoll, D. L. Quinnell, J. Squire. Replacements: J. M. Renwick, S. O. Campbell, J. Robbie, A. J. Phillips, I. Stephens, C. C. Tucker.

All Blacks whitewash

Hobart, June 11.—The New Zealand All Blacks overwhelmed Tasmania 73—0 in a lopsided Rugby Union match here today. The New Zealanders ran in 13 tries as they romped virtually unchecked through the Tasmanian defence. Wilson, the full back, scored 25 points from a try, nine conversions and a penalty.—Reuter.

Welsh fixture

The Welsh Rugby Union are to open their centenary year celebrations with a match against an overseas XV at Cardiff on September 20. The opposition will consist of representatives from non-international board countries to have played against Wales in the past—Argentina, Canada, Fiji, Japan, Romania, Tonga and USA.

Rugby League

Wearing away as the lights go out for the BBC

By Keith Macklin

After years of BBC exclusivity the way is now open for ITV companies to screen highlights of Rugby League. Details of the new contract with the BBC, released yesterday, reveal a higher cash figure for the screening of fewer games, and the end of what has been for some years a virtual BBC monopoly on the screening of Rugby League action, both live and recorded.

As a result, league officials are hoping for greatly enlarged coverage of the game on ITV, particularly among regional companies like Granada, Yorkshire, Border and Hariech, where there is strong and entrenched interest in the game.

Detailing the new three-year BBC contract David Howes, the League's public relations officer, said that the number of games agreed for live coverage next season is 17 compared with a total of 35 last season; the drop is because of the loss, through BBC economies, of the floodlit competition.

Although the number of games are fewer, the financial terms are a record. The BBC will have exclusive rights to six John Player Trophy games, six Challenge Cup games, the Lancashire and Yorkshire cup finals, two Premiership games and one European international. The BBC will also televise the three New Zealand internationals and in 1982 they will cover the Australian international in Britain.

Mr Howes said the end of BBC exclusivity opened up interesting new prospects for Rugby League within ITV. The independent companies could now, if they wished, televise any matches not covered by the BBC contract, such as important league fixtures or early rounds in the county cups. The way was now clear for the regional companies to use filmed highlights in regional magazine and sporting programmes.

Mr Howes said: "The council are delighted to continue the relationship with the BBC, since it means national and international coverage for the game. We are disappointed at the loss of the popular BBC2 floodlit competition whose gates have more than doubled in the past three years. However, we are excited by the possibilities or extension within the ITV network, particularly on a regional basis."

Oldham snag: The attempts by Oldham to sign Brian Lockwood, the Hull Kingston Rovers pack leader, have struck a serious snag. At a meeting of the Hull KR club directors it was decided that the Rovers will make an official and written protest to the Rugby League about Oldham's approaches to Lockwood. This protest will be considered at the annual meeting of the Rugby League council at Harrogate at the end of the month.

Hunslet, left without a ground when forced to leave the Elland Road greyhound stadium, will draw up plans for a new stadium in south Leeds. Leeds City Council's planning and development committee have agreed to release a site, subject to a satisfactory planning application.

Hunslet want a 30 year lease on the site, close to the old Parkside ground of the former Hunslet club, and their sketch plans include a rugby pitch, surrounded by speedway and greyhound tracks with two stands, one holding 1,000 spectators and the other 500.

Hunslet will play their matches next season at Batley, but if they get planning permission they hope to be in their new ground for the 1981-82 season. Costs will exceed £250,000.

Leonard is favourite

Bookmakers have made the American world welterweight champion Sugar Ray Leonard 9-5 favourite to retain his title when he fights Panama's former world lightweight champion Roberto Duran in Montreal on June 20. Odds that Leonard will win inside the distance are quoted as 7-5 while the chance that Duran will suffer a first round knockdown are given as 35-1.

PARLIAMENT, June 11, 1980

Economic problems being caused by unjustified belief in mechanical solutions to inflation–Lord Lever

House of Lords

The Government's monetary policies were resulting in grave economic injury which would probably have long-lasting consequences, Lord Lever of Manchester (Lab) said when opening a debate to call attention to the damaging effects of such policies on trade, investment, and employment.

He said he did not have any complete answer to the problems which faced that nation and did not believe anybody had.

I believe (he said) a great deal of the damage we are now suffering from in the Government's monetary policies derives from the unjustified belief that there are permanent mechanical solutions to problems such as inflation.

The manifest evils and injuries that resulted from the Government's pursuit of high interest rates and allowing the unsustainable level of the pound did not need elaboration. His own complaints were drowned by the overwhelming chorus of anguish from all sides of industry.

There was a central error at the heart of all Government thinking. It had focused on one problem, and one remedy, the monetary means of controlling it.

But the Government could not take the academic view of monetarists who were not concerned with the political consequences of their remedy to inflation.

It could not restrict itself to one problem, namely inflation, and ignore or neglect all others such as employment, exports and industrial competitiveness of the nation.

Any Government that focuses centrally on one problem and one solution (he said) is bound to get into the kind of trouble and cause the kind of damage we see now.

In sowing the seeds of prosperity, the high level of interest rates were not a cure for inflation but an agent of inflation. They ruined investment prospects and damaged seriously the competitiveness of Britain's industry. Every day different industrialists repeated this warning, but the Government, immersed in a semi-religious blanket of self-approval, ignored them.

High interest rates added to inflation by increasing the cost of production, because interest formed an ingredient in the cost of production, especially in exports.

In this absurd, almost obsessive attachment to these polices, nobody seemed to notice that high interest rates were themselves a major contributor to inflating the public sector borrowing requirement.

Did half the population have to have their rents and mortgage interest rates yo-yoed up and down because Britain had to curb inflation? Was there not a better and more direct way of doing this?

The Government claimed it was leaving the exchange rate to market forces but it was not. Market forces here were damaging in their consequences to Britain's party from the point of view of exports and the excessive inrush of imports.

The situation would get worse unless the Government started to take account of the requirements of Britain's political and economic future on a broader basis than monetarist professors might advise them to do.

The Government could not sail forward propelled only by a few gusts of self-approval from a minority in the Cabinet, but had to learn it had to carry with it the country and the hearts and minds of its own people.

Lord Banks (L) said there was every reason to be alarmed at the present state of the economy.

Output was falling, profits were being squeezed, companies were in dire straits, stocks were being depleted, earings were rising by 20 per cent, inflation was at 22 per cent, the balance of payments was in deficit, interest rates were sky high, investment was low, unemployment of two million was prophesied and social security benefits were facing a cut in real value.

No wonder (he said) that non-monetarists and monetarists alike are questioning the way i in which the monetary policy is being applied. No wonder they seek some relaxation in the policy before we destroy ourselves.

Lord Thorneycroft, charman of the Conservative Party, said the cental issuen facing the country were what they spent and borrowed and what on earth they did about the attitude to incomes. The question to be addressed to the Government should not be about the details of monetarism but whether they proposed to see it through. That was the big question.

It was just possible ojn this occasion the Government would go through with it. They would not do a U-turn. They would see this through.

The reasons for that were many. One was the personality of the Prime Minister. He did not think she intended reverse her policies. The Government had spelt out in real terms what it would spend four years ahead and it was going to be less than it spent last year. As a result investors, unions, and managers knew the background against which they were bargaining, negotiating, and making decions.

There was another reason it would not go bakc. It was that it had not got anywehre else to go to. They could only go either to Mr Benn and his policies of overall control or to the sort of compromise they had been enduring for the past 20 year swhich was now being argued by Mr Callaghan and to some extent by Mr Roy Jenkins.

Neither alternative seemed to him attractive. We shall go through with it (he said).

They were riding much higher than people sometimes imagined. The country had great assets. They had ujst conducted the best negotiation ever in the EEC. Teh pound was strong. There was a recession but it would end.

Why should we turn back? This is a success story we have today. Despite our difficulties we have every intention of seeing it through.

If they moved into a round of wage increases of between 15 and 20 per cent this autumn it would be a bad thing for the country. If we are going to get anywhere (he said) we have to accept something less than the forthcoming rate of inflation in the next 12 months.

Clegg was a disaster. Comparability was not someting for professors. It was for individuals.

Wage negotiations in the private and public sectors needed close examination. A permanent incomes policy meant the end of the trade union movement. It would have no role. The private sector did not negotiate its wagesiwelin Joint industrial councils and cental negotiations did foar too much of the negotiation before anybody got down to production and matters on the factory floor.. It was not a sensible arrangment.

The CBI had much to look at to put their own house in order before they tarted talking mlking to anybody else.

If they were going to have monetary or any other policies that worked some sense in wage negotiatin was necessary. Mcuh hing upon example. The Government was about to enter some crucial and decisive months for its polics. If there was an enormous round of wage increases it would not smash the policies of the Governmnt but it would make them much more painful.

Lord Boyle was examining increases to compensate for inflation that should be given to MPs. They should be the minimum. Leadership still counted in this country.

I hope (he said) Lord Boyle's figure is very low indeed, certainly in single figures.

Legislators generally should set an example.

Lord Kaldor (L) said the Government had passed the stage of exhorting trade unions to be reasonalbe in their pay dmenads and it was new creeping towards the next stage without having any clear idea of what that next stage should be.

In the meantime the nation's economy, outside the oil sector, was rapidly going downhill.

Lord Roll of Ipsden said if monetary policy, perhaps more particularly interest rate policy, was being used as far and away the predominant instrument of economic police, the whole burden of whatever admustments were being sought would fall in the corporate secror. It was industry and commerce which had to take the brunt.

Productivity was one of the major problems of British industry. Histrocial e idence unfortunately showed that productivity rarely, if ever, improved in times of declining economic activity and large scale unemployment.

It was wholly possible that beyond a certain point a high rate of interest, far from discouraging inflationary expectations, in fact encouraged them.

Lord Plant (Lab) said the Government must change course soon and must talk to the TUC.

It is too late for a U-turn (he said) when you have gone over the cliff edge.

Lord Harris of High Cross said the monetary policy was the ruthless application of common sense. The Government, by refusing to finance increasing inflation, could confidently look forward to prices rising more slowly after a time lag of about two years. There were encouraging signs in a wide range of wage settlemtns in the private sector, although that could not be said of the large public sector.

Lord Balogh (Lab) said Mrs Thatcher was giving a good imitation of a controlled experiment in a physics laboratory and he wanted to see it go through to the bitter end.

Monetarism was the belief that there was a close connexion between money, and especially money supply, and the economy. He did not believe this. Monetarism could not work in a modern society.

Lord Nugent of Guildford (C) said the Government was not going to make a U-turn if for no other reason than it was about time a government tried a new policy. Everything else had been tried and everything else had failed.

Having put their hands to the wheel on this policy they should see it through and try to get the benefits from it, as well as suffering the difficulties.

Lord Hatch of Lusby (Lab) said it was extreme human folly to be satiffied with a world where at least half of mankind was on starvation level while in the developed world millions were unemployed and factories stood empty.

British economic policy now and in the future should to be devise means to bridge that gap so that this country's workers, industrial capacity, and technological expertise could be used to undermine the massive poverty in the third world for the benefit of both.

A reconstruction of international institutions was needed so that the heavy burden of debt which was crippling the purchasing power of so many developing countries was managed and organized. There needed to be a reconstruction of the nation's industrial life.

Lord Bruce of Donnington (Lab), for the Opposition, said the pound was clearly overvalued and the number of liquidations taking place in manufacturing industry bore eloquent testiminy to the fact.

Since the present exchange rate inhibited Britain's exort competitiveness, there ought to be a corresponding afvantage from impors. This was not so, because only 13 per cent of manufacturing imports were raw materials.

Since the rate of exchange affected th whole rate of Britain's imports, the country was being flooeded by manufacturing imports on terms with which it was becoming progressively more difficult for even the most efficeint British manufacturers to compete.

Marines and gendarmes to keep law and order in New Hebrides

The British Government is sending a company of Royal Marines to the New Hebrides and the French a contingent of gendarmes to maintain the commitment of the two governments to preserve law and order in the condominium and its territorial integrity, Lord Carrington, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, said.

In a statement, he said that the security situation had deteriorated in the past 24 hours. Last night on Tanna, Mr Alexis Yolou, an opposition leader, had been killed. The exact circumstances of his death were not clear.

The Marines company was to be despatched to Vila with a headquarters element and logistic support.

This action (he added) reflects no change in our determination to work for a peaceful solution. Mr Peter Blaker, Minister of State, Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs (Blackpool, South, C) repeated the statement in the Commons.

Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody, an Opposition spokesman on foreign and Commonwealth affairs (Crewe, Lab)—The statement shows clearly the appalling indecisiveness of the British Government, which has resulted, not only in not solving one revolution but in beginning another insurrection.

Will Mr Blaker come clean on what are his relations with the French Government? Will he tell us how long we have to wait before they give full support to a freely elected, democratic government.

Mr Blaker—The circumstances have now changed. We were right last week to rely on negotiations.

We intend to persuade both parties to resume negotiations. The French have considerable influence on Santo. We shall use our influence to get both parties to cooperate.

Mrs Dunwoody—He keeps saying that both sides should come to the conference table, but the elected Government got a result with a large majority.

Mr Blaker—That is true. Unilateral action will not necessarily solve the problem. The people of the New Hebrides have to live together in future. We want to get a situation where their problems are resolved.

Mr Anthony Kershaw (Stroud, C)—It is strange that the Opposition who are so much against gunboats now demand that they should be present in ever-increasing numbers.

There is a need to go slowly in this matter. (Labour laughter). These people are motivated in ways quite different from ours and we should not plunge in with armed force until we [illegible] acdy how far we [illegible] negotiation.

Mr Blaker—He is righ[illegible] ing out the bizarre n[illegible] Dunwoody's militaristi[illegible] trasted with her party' [illegible] on leaving us with few [illegible] of Suez. Our posture [illegible] caution but resolutio[illegible] dispatch of troops t[illegible] have referred shows [illegible] tion.

Mr Tam Dalyell (We[illegible] Lab).—It is always m[illegible] to get troops out t[illegible] them in. In what ci[illegible] will it be possible t[illegible] the gendarmerie and [illegible] ines? Some of us wh[illegible] Mr Jimmy Stevens [illegible] doubts about putting [illegible] darmerie and the Ma[illegible]

Mr Blaker.—I note th[illegible] sition is divided. The [illegible] provide stability in th[illegible] that negotiations may [illegible] be resumed.

Mr Paul Dean (Nort[illegible] C).—Will Mr Blaker [illegible] that as soon as law a[illegible] restored, the basic n[illegible] remain for peaceful [illegible] so that the New Hebri[illegible] ceed to independence [illegible] on the due date?

Mr Blaker.—He is r[illegible] that the presence of [illegible] not be needed for lon[illegible]

Health warning on drink rejected

House of Commons

A call for legislation requiring manufacturers to palce health warning notices on containers of alcoholic products on sale to the general public in Scotland was rejected by Mr Russell Fairgrieve, Under Secretary for Scotland, at question time.

Alcohol presented a health risk only misused and therefore health warnings would not be appropriate, he told Mr James Dempsey (Coatbridge and Airdrie, Lab) who made the suggestion.

Mr Dempsey—Competent authorities judge a alcohol to be Scotland's second biggest killer. Alcohol abuse can result in irreversible brain damage, cirrhosis of the liver, heart damage, violence, suicides, malnutrition and disastrous consequences in homes.

We should be doing something to warn those people about the danger of drinking abuse just as smokers are warned about the dnager of smoking.

Mr Fairgrieve—I accept a lot of that. In no way is the Government complacent about this. We Acknowledge the appreciable increase in the number of alcoholis in Scotland over the past 20 years. Although this trend is not peculiar to Scotland it is still disturbing.

In Scotland we have taken certain actionand only recently attended the inagural course of the alcohol study centre at Paisley financially supported by the Government. We are continuing our campaign of health education in this vital subject.

Mr William Walker (Perth and East Perthshire, C)—There was a conference in October 1979 on alcohol education sponsored by the Scotch whisky industry. This is the avenue along which we should move—education and bringing it to the notice of Indivi[illegible] right age.

Mr Fairgrieve—We [illegible] every effort we can on [illegible] of education and this [illegible] ing a considerable am[illegible]

Mr Norman Buchan [illegible] frewshire, Lab)—In [illegible] events of the last year [illegible] it would be a great ad[illegible] had a major poster c[illegible] ing: "Younger is bad [illegible] Fletcher and Fairgri[illegible] (Renewed laughter)

Mr Fairgrieve—It is [illegible] to poster inaccurate [illegible] (Renewed laugher)

Mr John Mackay (Ar[illegible] he give an assurance [illegible] ernment does not int[illegible] late on reducing the [illegible] youngsters can go i[illegible] order a drink from 18 [illegible]

Mr Fairgrieve—I ca[illegible] assurance.

Ferranti jobs will not be prejudiced

It was not part of the Government's job in disposing of the shares of the National Enterprise Board in Ferranti to prejudice the jobs and successful operation of the company in Scotland, Mr Alexander Fletcher, Under Secretary of State for Scotland, said.

Mr David Steel, leader of the Liberal Party (Roxburgh, Selkirk and Peebles, L)—The answer the Prime Minister gave yesterday on the sale of the Ferranti shares is totally inadequate. The issue is not the principle of the NEB disposing of these shares, but the manner in which this is done.

If they are to go to the highest bidder regardless of the social consequences, this is carrying Tory economic policy to a ludicrous extent.

Mr Fletcher (Edinburgh, North, C)—The Govedment is fully aware of the points made regarding the Ferranti operation in Scotland.

The Prime Minister is aware of the importance of this matter.

Mr Tam Dalyell (West Lothian, Lab)—Is he prepared to fight the Industry Secretary in Cabinet?

Mr Fletcher—The Government is fully aware of the problems of the disposal of Ferranti.

Mr Dalyell—Yes or no?

Mr Bruce Millan, Opposition spokesman on Scotland (Glasgwo, Craigton, Lab)—Ferranti has been conspicuously successful in Scotland and everyone in the company—the whole organisation, managment, including top managment and the trade unions—are unanimously and bitterly opposed to a takeover by another company like GEC which can only prejudice those valuable jobs in Scotland.

Can we have an assurance that the Scottish Office will do everything possible to prevent that disastrous result happening?

Mr Fletcher—It is no part of this Government's job in disposing of the NEB shares in Ferranti to do so in such a way which would prejudice the jobs and successful operation of the company in Scotland.

Unanim[illegible] rule in crucial [illegible] decision

The Government [illegible] attach great import[illegible] principle of unanimit[illegible] Council of Minister[illegible] important national i[illegible] at stake, Sir Ian G[illegible] Privy Seal, said early [illegible]

He was moving th[illegible] take note of the r[illegible] Committee of Three [illegible] Community Institut[illegible] exchanges with Mr [illegible] chief Opposition s[illegible] foreign and C[illegible] affairs, he said [illegible] sovereignty arose in r[illegible]

Mr Shore (Tower B[illegible] ney and Poplar, L[illegible] Opposition was not [illegible] introducing or accep[illegible] voting in the Council [illegible]

We do not accept [illegible] it is possible to make [illegible] between matters [illegible] national importance [illegible] not of serious nationa[illegible]

Sir Ian Gilmour—It [illegible] member state involve[illegible] own important inte[illegible] volved. If they are [illegible] bourg Compromise a[illegible] is no erosion of sover[illegible]

Mr Shore then move[illegible] tion amendment [illegible] approve any proposa[illegible] weaken the presen[illegible] national veto and c[illegible] Council of Ministers.

He said it was n[illegible] distinguish very impo[illegible] interests from impo[illegible] interests or just natio[illegible]

Sir Ian Gilmour said [illegible] ment was prepared [illegible] amendment because [illegible] Nothing in the repor[illegible] right of national veto [illegible] bourg Compromise [illegible] affected.

The time allotted f[illegible] ran out before a v[illegible] taken.

Tuesday's sitting [illegible] am today.

Tory MP's Bill seeks better origin marking

All goods sold in the United Kingdom would be required to carry a mark bearing a clear statemeat of the country of origin under the Origin Marking Bill which was introduced by Mr Selwyn Gummer (Eye, C).

He said that the mark should also show whether the goods were made in whole or in part within the EEC. The Bill would ensure that the housewife or purchasing officer knew where a product was made.

It was important that people should be able to choose. There were many people who wanted to buy goods from a particular country. Sometimes they would not be buying British. They would not wish to buy British, but that was their right.

This country would benefit considerably if consumers decided that British was best, but it was for them to decide and not for the Government or anyone else to impose that chose.

There was a good deal of misleading information provided which ought to be stopped. Many pianos on the market gave the impression of being German but were produced behind the Iron Curtain in Czechoslovakia and Hungary.

Cutlery manufactured in Taiwan was dipped and boxed in Britain and had "Made in England," or "Made in Sheffield" stamped on it. That was unacceptable.

There wer many goods for which the country of origin made a difference to the nature of the goods. The Soviet Government was busy locking up Christian dissidents and dumping Chrismas cards in this country unmarked with their country of origina. No Christian in this country ought to buy Chrismas cards manufactured in Russia.

The customer ought to know whether they were manufactured in Russia, so that he could refuse to buy them and tell the shopkeeper why he was not buying them.

Criticism [illegible] rate money for Olymp[illegible]

It was difficult to beli[illegible] authorities were as s[illegible] as they said they we[illegible] appeared to be ab[illegible] money around in hel[illegible] cow Olympics to [illegible] ground, Mr Georg[illegible] Secretary of State [illegible] said during questio[illegible] authority spending.

Mr Michael Ancram [illegible] South, C) had suggest[illegible] tary of State ask th e[illegible] Scottish Local Aut[illegible] many of their membe[illegible] district councils, we[illegible] by their electors to [illegible] payers' money suppor[illegible] cow Olympics.

Earlier Mr Young[illegible] had said that on June [illegible] discuss with the con[illegible] more the need for loc[illegible] to reduce expenditure [illegible] to the levels envisage[illegible] support grant settleme[illegible]

Mr Ian Lang (Galloway [illegible] expansion of local au[illegible] numbers by some 14,0[illegible] two years, including [illegible] increase in public re[illegible] represents an intolera[illegible] on the ratepayers of s[illegible] ties.

Mr Younger—The [illegible] growth of local au[illegible] when money simply [illegible] for such expansion [illegible] worrying.

In the year endin[illegible] 1979, local authority [illegible] creased by no less tha[illegible] in a year when ev[illegible] supposed to be cutting [illegible] essential local author[illegible] in the interest of the [illegible] and of the country as [illegible]

Parliamentary

House of Commons
Today at 2.30: Debate [illegible] and on consideration [illegible] Opposition motions.

House of Lords
Today at 3: Empl[illegible] committee (Third day).

Improving the situation of those in tied houses

A Government amendment to allow a spouse a right of veto over the right of purchase of the partner was agreed to when the report stage of the Tenants' Rights ect. (Scotland) Bill was resumed. The Bill confers rights on public sector tenants to purchase the houses they rent.

Mr Malcolm Rifkind, Under Secretary for Scotland (Edinburgh, Pentlands, C), moving an amendment to Clause 1 (Secre tenant's rights to purchase', said that it provided protection for awife who might risk literally having the roof taken off her head.

Mr Bruce Millan, chief Opposition sookesman on Scotland (Glasgwo, Craigton, Lab) said the Opposition welcomed the amendment.

Mr Martin O'Neill (East Stirlingshire and Clackmannan, Lab) moved an amendment, with which other amendments were discussed, to give certain people in tied cottage accommodatin the opportunity to buy the hose, provided the employers did not have another use for it.

He said the amendment was designed to help peopoe such as janitors and policemen required to live in their places of emplyement and spend perhaps 30 years at one schoolhouse or policehose.

These people should be guaranteed a degree of secruty of tenure which present legislation did not afford them.

Mr George Robertson, an Opposition spokesman on Scotland (Hamilton, Lab) said the Bill was a direct assault on the discretion of local authorities and would be resented. Up to now, these authorities had ensured that people leaving tied accommodation had been found other places to live.

Mr Malcolm Rifkind, Under Secretary for Scotland said that, as a general principle, when housing was not required by a non-housing authority for tied accommodation, there would seem to be no good reason for them to hold on to it.

He hoped that those houses which need not be tied and which the tenants did not wish to buy, should be transferred to the housing authority. The Government would do all they could to facilitate that.

The Government amendments also being considered gave to tenants all the rights that a public sector tenant had apart from security of tenure and the right to succession. The Government had sought to grant all the rights which were consistent with the nature of tied accommodation.

The Opposition amendment was rejected by 262 votes to 214—Goverment majority, 48.

Reform of law on incest

The law of incest in Scotland was unsatisfactory and due for reform, Mr Nicholas Fairbairn, Solicitor General for Scotland, said during questions.

Mr Alexander Pollock (Moray and Nairn, C) had said—There is considerable disquiet both in the legal service of Scotland and among the public about the current state of our law on incest. He should look at possible reforms in this highly delicate area.

Mr Fairbairn (Kinross and West Perthshire, C)—The Law Commission recently issued a paper on the law of incset to the Secretary of State for Scotland (Mr George Younger).

The law of incest is in my view in a very unsatisfactory condition and I am anxious there should be protectin not only of those involved who are related by blood, but particularly from those who are in a position of trust and where that trust is broken.

New weapons

Mr Keith Best (Anglesey, C) asked the Secretary of State for Defence about the service delivery dates of the new 5.56mm individual personal weapon and the new section light machine gun.

Mr Barney Hayhoe, Under Secretary of Defence for the Army, in a written reply said—It is intended to introduce a new individual personal weapon and a new light machine gun during the mid-1980s. The two weapons will be British designed and manufactured and will fire ammunition standard to most NATO nations.

Arrival of Vietnamese refugees

Mr Timothy Raison, Minister of State, Home Office, in a writren reply, said—I understand from the Joint Committee for Refugees from Vietnam that, of the 10,000 refugees the Government agreed to accept at the Geneva conference last year, about 4,900 had arrived by the end of May. It is our aim to receve the remainder of the quota before the end of the year.

Teachers' pay negotiations

The amount of money available for teachers' pay was what local authorities had available, taking into account what the rate support grant and their own income provided, Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Scotland, said.

Mr David Steel, Leader of the Liberal Party (Roxburgh, Selkirk and Peebles, L), had asked for a statement on the current state of negotiation on Scottish teachers' pay.

Mr Younger (Ayr, C)—Statutory responsibility for negotiating teachers' pay rests with the Scottish Teachers Salaries Committee and it is not for me to intervene.

I understand that at a meeting on June 4 the teachers rejected an offer of 14 per cent wih effect from April 1. The committee is to meet again tomorrow (Thursday).

Mr Harry Ewing (Stirling, Falkirk and Grangemouth, Lab) for the Opposition—Why is he continually trying to deceive people into believing he is not part of the negotiations?

What instructions is he giving the two representatives on the management side of the STSC and why does he not have the decency and courage to say he does not want a settlement above 14 per cent?

Mr Younger—There are two representatives from my side who attend the meetings, but they are in no sense able to dominate what goes on, nor do they seek to do so.

Contractor and client involvement in unfair dismissals

The Government is to consider between now and the report stage of the Employment Bill a suggestion that if an employee is dismissed in consequence of not belonging to a union, the contractor facing an unfair dismissal claim might be able to join the client employer to the case and the latter might be required to pay any compensation awarded.

This undertaking was given early today by the Earl of Gowrie, Minister of State for Employment, during a committee stage debate on two proposed new clauses (Unlawful discrimination in relation to contracts for the supply of goods or services and Interference with contract on ground of non-union membership) which were eventually withdrawn.

Lord Orr-Ewing (C), moving the first of the clauses, said public authorities were increasingly putting into their contracts a demand that no one should go on to a site unless they were trade union members. This was the closed shop by stealth. It was an unacceptable practice.

The Earl of Gowrie said the Government disliked the practice but he saw considerable difficulties in the solution to the problem in the form of the amendments. It was doubtful whether they would work as intended.

It would be difficult for the disappointed contractors to prove the discrimination complained of. On the other hand, someone whose tender had been properly rejected might involve the main employer in costly litigation.

The potential liability of the new clauses might dissuade employers from using contractors at all and that would not help anyone.

There was the vexed question of sanctions. If the union was to be penalized for taking industrial action in support of its policy in this matter, it would have to be deprived of the immunity conferred by the Trade Union and Labour Relations Act, 1974.

The central purpose of the closed shop provisions of the Employment Bill was to provide basic protection for employees against abuses of the closed shop and that protection must be maintained.

The imposition by client employers of contractors in a dependent commercial position of "union labour only" clauses in contracts could place contractors with no other suitable work available for non-union employees in an invidious position.

Either they lost a contract or dismissed such employees and perhaps then found they had to pay substantial sums in unfair dismissal compensation.

The extended protection for individuals in the Bill and particularly the protection for existing employees and the closed shop ballot provision, while vital, might increase contractors' difficulties in this respect.

Lord Orr-Ewing said the second of the proposed new clauses dealt with the printing and publishing industry. The National Graphical Association published a book, called *A Fair List*, which had 222 pages with various names.

Whenever you submit work (he said) you have to give your number as printed in this book if the work is to be accepted.

Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone, the Lord Chancellor, during other debates on the Employment Bill committee stage, said he would convey to Mr James Prior, Secretary of State for Employment, an Opposition proposal that those who had a conscientious objection to joining a union should make a subscription to charity.

An amendment to this effect had been moved by Lord Underhill (Lab) who said that nothing inflamed trade unionists more than the fact that people were getting benefits from trade union activity and not paying anything towards it.

Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone, said subscriptions to charity should be voluntary but he would convey the suggestion to the minister to see whether it would be appropriate to insert it into the code of practice. The amendment was withdrawn.

Tuesday's sitting ended at 3.21 am today.

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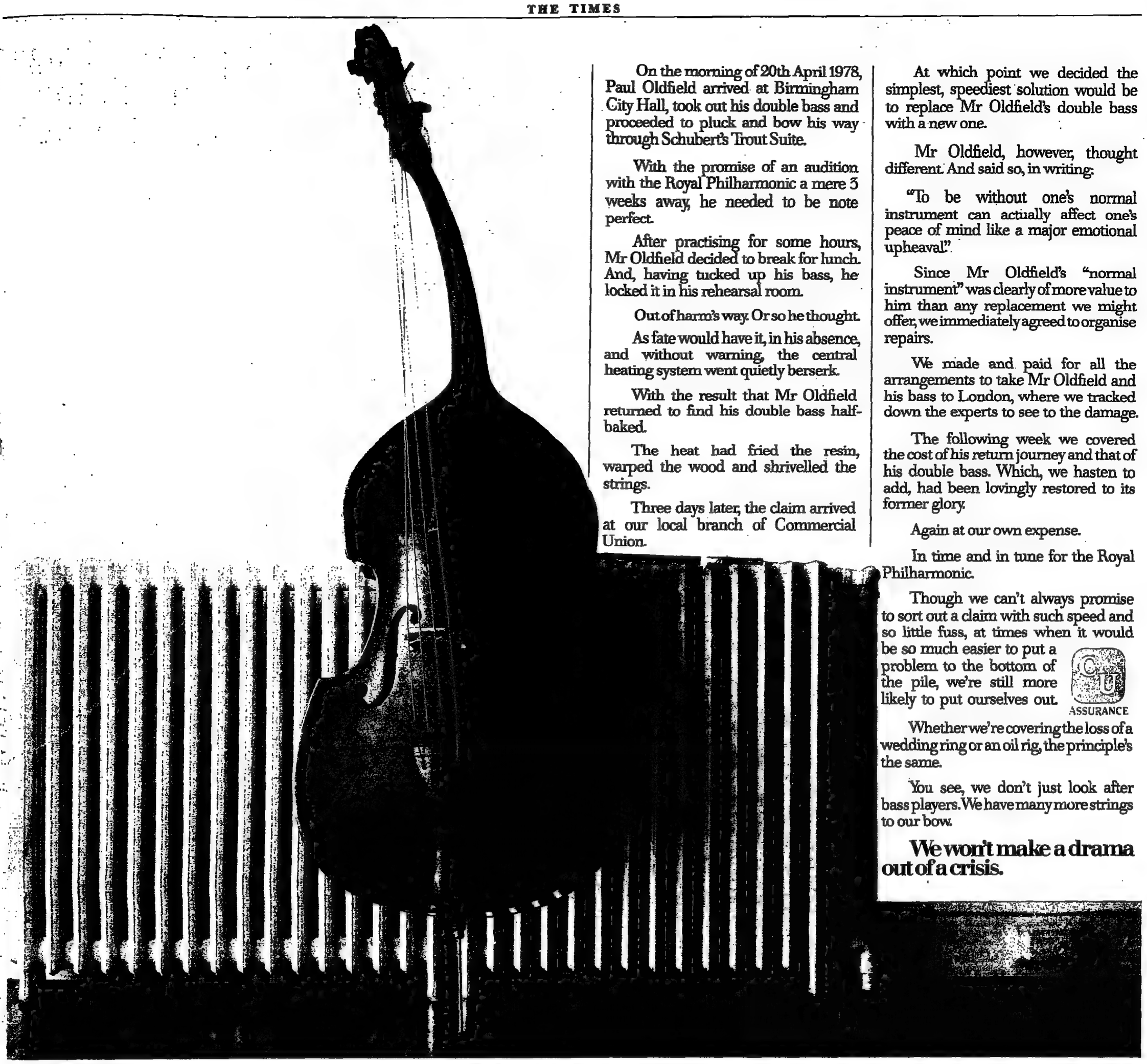

On the morning of 20th April 1978, Paul Oldfield arrived at Birmingham City Hall, took out his double bass and proceeded to pluck and bow his way through Schubert's Trout Suite.

With the promise of an audition with the Royal Philharmonic a mere 3 weeks away, he needed to be note perfect.

After practising for some hours, Mr Oldfield decided to break for lunch. And, having tucked up his bass, he locked it in his rehearsal room.

Out of harm's way. Or so he thought.

As fate would have it, in his absence, and without warning, the central heating system went quietly berserk.

With the result that Mr Oldfield returned to find his double bass half-baked.

The heat had fried the resin, warped the wood and shrivelled the strings.

Three days later, the claim arrived at our local branch of Commercial Union.

At which point we decided the simplest, speediest solution would be to replace Mr Oldfield's double bass with a new one.

Mr Oldfield, however, thought different. And said so, in writing:

"To be without one's normal instrument can actually affect one's peace of mind like a major emotional upheaval."

Since Mr Oldfield's "normal instrument" was clearly of more value to him than any replacement we might offer, we immediately agreed to organise repairs.

We made and paid for all the arrangements to take Mr Oldfield and his bass to London, where we tracked down the experts to see to the damage.

The following week we covered the cost of his return journey and that of his double bass. Which, we hasten to add, had been lovingly restored to its former glory.

Again at our own expense.

In time and in tune for the Royal Philharmonic.

Though we can't always promise to sort out a claim with such speed and so little fuss, at times when it would be so much easier to put a problem to the bottom of the pile, we're still more likely to put ourselves out.

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Whether we're covering the loss of a wedding ring or an oil rig, the principle's the same.

You see, we don't just look after bass players. We have many more strings to our bow.

We won't make a drama out of a crisis.

When Mr Oldfield refused our offer of a new double bass, we pulled all the strings to repair his old one.

Ronald Butt

Intolerance: the new face of Socialism

Public morality takes many forms, and which one an individual adopts probably has more to do with personal chemistry than with pure reasoning—which is why some are born to be little socialists, and others something else. Left-wing moral instincts demand collective deeds of public goodness by the state, but are suspicious of private acts of charity, collective as well as individual.

This attitude, I suspect, is at bottom determined not simply by a fear that private charity undermines what could be better organized by the state, but by a feeling that somehow the process of giving and accepting voluntarily is humanly demeaning, whereas the redistributive provisions of public social activity, being available as of right, are not.

Some such notion, I suppose, underlies the amazingly crass statement by a Labour Lewisham councillor that contributions from the public to the young police officer who was seriously maimed in a bomb atrocity were "misguided" on the grounds that "if this young man needs money for treatment, it should be provided centrally out of government funds"—an observation which ignores the therapeutic value in such a case of genuinely felt individual acts of kindness.

There are few, one would hope, who would descend to this degree of insensitivity. Yet many on the left would not dissent from the analysis offered by Mr Brian Sedgemore, a philosopher of the left, in his Fabian lecture on the moral basis of socialism a few years ago, when he observed: "In politics, love and compassion are charitable concepts and charity, whether it is nineteenth century charity or twentieth century welfare, hides a multiplicity of sins many of which are a positive hindrance to the development of socialism. All too often it debilitates rather than expands the human spirit. All too often it is a substitute for socialist action. . . ."

A corollary of all this is, of course, that if a man should feel no obligation (except as a voting citizen providing for the welfare state, or presumably, as a personal friend) to help others by private activity, he should certainly not stir to help himself or his own immediate family, however much he may feel that the provisions of the state fall short of their individual needs.

Mr Kevin McNamara (left) who infuriated his constituency party, and Labour's education spokesman, Mr Neil Kinnock—an obsession with theoretical equality.

Hence, of course, the rage that greeted Mr Mark Carlisle's suggestion that parents might make voluntary contributions to their children's schools which the head-teacher would be as free to use for extra library or classroom books as for the musical instruments or cricket bats on which money raised by the activity of parents is customarily spent. The suggestion was instantly interpreted as signifying the thin end of an evil Tory wedge designed (in the context of the cut in state spending) to undermine the principle of free education.

Mr Neil Kinnock, the metaphor-weaving left-wing education spokesman for the Labour Party, who usually sounds as intoxicated by his own verbiage as any character out of Dylan Thomas, was particularly affronted. He was even inspired to talk about schools so starved of books and equipment that the children are forced to draw lots for their use—though he has so far refused to say which these schools are.

But on what ground is Mr Kinnock chiefly outraged? Is it the concept of self-help that he principally dislikes, for fear that some schools with parents more enthusiastic in their fund-raising than others should get ahead of those schools less fortunate? Or does he feel simply that if the state cannot spend enough then no other fund-raising should be permitted to make good the difference?

Either way, we have an obsession with theoretical equality at the expense of real live individuals which is on par with the decision of the Bexley education authority to refuse a grammar school place to an 11-year-old boy because he had been coached by his mother—against which Mr Edward Heath has so rightly protested. What, of course, offends Mr Kinnock and others like him is that children with parents more willing to help than others should benefit—to which I can see no logical solution except a system of state inspectors who visit homes regularly to make sure that children with parents of any class who give then undue encouragement should be penalized in school by some kind of handicap system.

Which brings me to the most tortuous case of all—that of the left-wing Labour MP for Hull Central, Mr Kevin McNamara, who has infuriated his constituency party by sending two of his sons to Ampleforth. It is, of course, hard not to feel a certain distaste for Mr McNamara's double standards. We cannot avoid suspecting also, when Mr McNamara justifies himself as "just a parent doing the best for my children", that as a Labour politician he would not have granted the same indulgence to somebody else's children on the same grounds. But none of this is the real point in question.

What is nauseating is that the Hull Labour Party should demand that Mr McNamara should place the interests of his children below a notional adherence to an egalitarian educational policy, and that Mr McNamara should thereby be driven to such puny and unconvincing excuses as those he has adopted. He says that his boys are going to Ampleforth because they are Catholic and musical, and cannot get that sort of education elsewhere. And so they have taken and passed the highly selective Ampleforth scholarship examination.

But why should tolerated selection be by musical ability and not by mathematics or classics—or, indeed, by academic ability generally? What about a parent who wishes to send his children with special ability to an independent school on those grounds?

What has Mr McNamara to say to the (socialist or non-socialist) parent who wishes to send his children to an independent school because the local urban state school seems academically inadequate? What has he to say to those who, on such grounds, might want to use the Government's assisted places scheme? Only, I suppose that he supports Labour's plan to abolish it.

Mr McNamara says, indeed, that he wants Ampleforth to be "integrated" into the state system. But how can it be integrated into the 100 per cent comprehensive system which is Labour's aim, without destroying the special and selective element which is its attraction for Mr McNamara's sons?

Which brings us back to the jocular malignity of the fast-talking and ever-smiling Mr Kinnock. Hesitating to abolish the independent schools by legislation which would be an affront to international conceptions of parents' rights, he proposes to drive them out of existence by mean-minded pressures to destroy parents rights to choose how their children shall be educated, and to try, by their own efforts, to fulfil that choice. He and a Labour working party propose to put it to the Labour Conference this year that a future Labour government would charge full fees at university to those who had used the independent schools without a given period at state schools.

Mr Kinnock pretends that he does not want to shut down the independent schools. "We want these institutions with the facilities that they have to be available to all the children in the country instead of being locked away behind a price tag." So every child, it seems, is to have a chance of going to Eton—but for the playing fields and not for the mode of education.

The real aim, of course, is to abolish the essential character of independent education and to ease all parents out of any real decisions—even to preventing their buying a few books!

Mr Kinnock and his mean-minded friends will fail. They may abolish the independent schools—but they will still fail for they cannot stop some parents from providing their children with the education which they think right and suitable—even if it has to be given in a hole and a corner, and with the curtains drawn.

Labour's proposals for education are symptomatic of a more basic intolerance. It is time that the Labour left, in its fight for the soul of the party, told us what it really feels about individual liberty and responsibility—and if it refuses, we must keep asking.

Can Mr Reaga snatch the Jewish vote?

Americans are currently both bewildered and depressed. The long litany of their discontents includes inflation, unemployment, the hostages in Iran and, most acutely, the presidential election. The apparent intractability of most of the problems has demoralized a public conditioned to an implicit belief in American omnipotence and, in these circumstances, November's election comes as something as a relief for it is, at least, within national control.

But that too, is unusually perplexing for this time there appear to be three, rather than the usual two, possible results. The intervention of Mr John Anderson may deny both front-runners a majority of the electoral college votes and, in that event, the House of Representatives may have to choose.

As a result, few pundits are prepared to offer any forecast or even cautious guesses about the outcome. In many conversations in Washington and New York I heard only one unequivocal prediction. William Safire, the Pulitzer Prize-winning columnist of *The New York Times* was confident that "if Carter loses New York he'll lose the election". If that is so, the votes of New York's Jews, 11-12 per cent of the total, could be conclusive.

The three probable main presidential contenders in November, Mr Carter, Mr Ronald Reagan and Mr Anderson, seem to agree for they are already competing intensely for the support of New York's Jewish community. They are all aware that those votes will be determined by a multiplicity of factors, among them being purely Jewish concerns and traditional party loyalties.

Although many Jews have risen in the economic scale during the past three decades, most remain in the liberal political camp and habitually vote against their presumed economic interests. They have traditionally voted liberal democrat, but with variations depending on the degree of commitment of the Democratic candidate to the cause of Israel.

In 1964 and 1968 an overwhelming 90 per cent of Jewish votes went to Mr Johnson and Mr Humphrey, whose records on Israel were unassailable. Mr McGovern, believed to be cool on the subject, attracted only 65 per cent in 1972. Four years later Mr Carter received about 80 per cent. Will he in 1980 receive 90 per cent, 65 per cent or even less? The "floating" Jewish vote of 25 per cent or more may decide the New York result and therefore the election.

Jewish liberals will find it difficult to pull the voting machine lever for Mr Reagan, the former Governor of California, and even those veering towards conservatism see him as politically too far out.

On the other hand, he is acceptable to some Jews on the right while his views on Israel make a considerable appeal to the more ethnic Jewish voter. Where Mr Reagan differs from the other candidates on this issue is the reason he gives for being pro-Israel. In consonance with his general trend of *realpolitik* he bases American support on national self-interest. He sees Israel as the only stable democracy in the Middle East and as a barrier to Soviet penetration. It is therefore to be defended in the American strategic interest.

To many Jews that sounds like a much more dependable basis for the United States-Israel relationship than moral obligation, traditional friendship or guilt. Moreover, some find it reassuring that Mr Reagan includes Jewish leaders *among his entourage*.

The New York Jews who will vote for Mr Reagan on these grounds will be supplemented—if a vote for Mr Anderson is thought of as wasted—by the ABC'ers (Anybody But Carter) who will press the lever reluctantly. But the voting machine will only record the vote, not the reluctance.

The liberal attitudes and record of Mr Anderson, an Illinois Republican congressman who is running for the presidency as an independent, make a strong appeal to Jews, as does his voting for Israel during 20 y Congress.

As part of his effort Jewish support he sp May to the major lea group. He went beyond ventional statements of on Israel and pledged president, he would re Jerusalem as the cap Israel and move the States embassy there. applause which greet assurance faded as he that it would have t "the conclusion of the making process". The dents of the major organizations were no sure that the promis qualified, meant very n

Mr Anderson is also a difficult time explaini what is becoming know "Jesus amendment". again Christian, he in an amendment to the tion early in his cong career recognizing "the ity and law of Jesus Saviour and Rul nations . . ."

When asked about March, for the first his campaign, he disn as a youthful indiscre said he had introduc only one occasion, in later emerged that he introduced it in 1963

To Jewish leaders, M son admits that the was an ill-advised mis vigorously affirms the of the separation of ch state, which has no defenders than the J asserts that religion have no place in a campaign. But the likely to cause him embarrassment, thou Jewish supporters bel it will not be exploit because of Mr A honesty in dealing wi because it could be a sword gaining him from other quarters.

In the expressive language, a *shlemiel* is bumbler, while a *sh* accident-prone. The illustration of usage when a waiter spills customer, the wait *shlemiel* and the cu *shlemazl*. In several groups recently I have to lively arguments as of these descriptions President.

Neither is calculate spire much confidence rating is likely to in the campaign progre Mr Carter can poin record of achievement his opponents can do promises. And, as far is concerned, his rec no means negligible. he can claim credit Israel-Egypt peace t most hopeful event history, as well as m sistent economic and aid he has given it.

Everybody here tell at present, Mr C "dead" for the Jews of his actions have them, particularly the the anti-Israel United resolution in March later revoked. He "dead" now but, ass commits no new m and clinches the nomi could well enjoy a partial resurrecti November.

Even so, if the campaign prospers a now seems prob receives the backing York's Liberal Pa Anderson could we serious damage on and thereby hand Ne and the presidency Reagan. But this change if, somehow able autonomy plan West Bank emerged election. Such a rewa persistence could help the President's prese as an incompetent blu

The last word o electoral attitudes c my New York tax "Thank God," he "that only one of the elected."

William

Bernard Levin

Cheerfulness, but at what a price

Yesterday, I went into some detail about the unofficial Polish publishing house, NOWA (which is by no means the only such clandestine organisation in that country, but is the largest, measured by volume of output), and of the sufferings of Miroslaw Chojecki, its chief organiser. In a land where *every* published word is subject to rigorous censorship ("published" in this context meaning printed, spoken in any reproducible form, or filmed), right down to newspaper marriage announcements and in which no private citizen may buy any form of printing or duplicating equipment or materials, the effort and courage required to put out anything at all in *samizdat* form are beyond the imaginings of our own society, particularly those in it who produce Trotskyite broadsheets in complete legality (and sometimes I wouldn't wonder with the aid of a grant from Camden Council), and have the impudence to call themselves the "underground" press.

But the account I gave of NOWA's work does not exhaust the catalogue of difficulties in the path of Poles who want to keep the truth alive in permanent form. Today, I want to describe in detail a couple of episodes in the life of NOWA and its chief publisher which, though in some ways undoubtedly comic, do, I think, bring home the reality of life in a Soviet colony more vividly and memorably than many a thousand word of polemic.

In the first place, anyone known to work for NOWA is kept under surveillance, and also subjected to various forms of harrassment or persecution—arbitrary and repeated arrests, dismissal from jobs, random searches of dwelling-place. Those who own the flats in which NOWA carries on its clandestine activities are treated similarly (obviously, no private citizen can, without authorization, rent office space). But this strikes the flower of free Polish publishing at the head; to strike at the root the political police confiscate, wherever they find any the duplicating equipment on which NOWA's publications are printed.

For every action, observed Newton, there is an equal and opposite reaction. The publishers of NOWA never use the same place for long, moving their equipment constantly to prevent the authorities tracking it down. They have also neatly taken a leaf out of the book of the police; they keep a dossier of the registration-numbers of surveillance-police cars. Those working for NOWA, and on their way to the "office", watch out for such listed cars behind them, and when they spot any, take appropriate evasive action.

To this technique the police matched one of their own; they tried to trap the NOWA people into buying a duplicator (an illegal transaction), by sending one of their agents to offer such a machine for sale. The agent came to Chojecki and offered a duplicator for 10,000 zlotys. Chojecki guessed that the man was a spy, but the machine itself was so valuable a prize that he worked out a method of biting the biter. *First*, he beat down Gierek's man to a price of 2,000 zlotys. Then, having arranged the deal and the handing-over of the equipment, he drove to the rendezvous, paid the money, collected the machine and drove off. He was followed of course, but so were the followers—by Chojecki's colleagues. He drove out of Warsaw, approached a bend at speed, turned the corner, and in the few moments during which he was invisible to the police, threw the machine, wrapped in sacking, into a ditch. The police followed him as he sped on; and the gleaners came behind.

Mr Gierek: censoring every line.

The authorities, however, were not deterred by their defeat. Some time later, they tried the same trick again, but this time they sent their man with a duplicator too big to be thrown out of a car window. For every action, however . . .

Again, Chojecki beat the spy down (in this aspect of the transaction, of course, he couldn't lose, because the agent's job was to get Chojecki to take the machine, and he was obviously under instruction to go on lowering the price until Chojecki was willing to close the deal). This time our hero arranged to meet the vendor for the exchange outside Warsaw's St John's Cathedral, on a Sunday. The money was handed over; the large wooden box likewise; the police watchers narrowed their eyes; so did the watchers of the watchers. Chojecki lugged the box into the cathedral, in which there *just happened to be a crowd of* his friends and co-workers, together with a hinterland of their relations. Shortly afterwards, Chojecki emerged from the church, still lugging the box, loaded it into his car, and drove off, followed. He drove about aimlessly for some time, and was eventually stopped by his pursuers, who naturally searched the car and were dismayed to find it bare not only of duplicators but even of the wooden box. The latter had been taken to pieces during the aimless drive, and thrown, bit by bit, out of the window; the former had been taken to pieces inside the cathedral, where it had of course been left behind, by Rabbit's-friends-and-relations, stowed bit by bit in various shopping-bags and briefcases, and thus taken out of the building for reassembly later. NOWA lives! (And not only lives, but duplicates.)

It makes, I think you may agree, a diverting tale; Till Eulenspiegel meets The Good Soldier Schweik. And all Resistance literature from the Second World War is shot through with the same extraordinary feeling—that amid the hideous danger, the *maquisards* were laughing their heads off. On the other hand, falling into the hands of the Gestapo was a far less diverting experience, and the same goes, *mutatis mutandis*, for Gierek's thugs. In Bombay, a couple of years ago, when India had not long been freed from Mrs Gandhi's dictatorship, I met a group of (mostly young) people *who had been active, in various* ways, in the underground opposition to her rule; some of them had been in prison, some physically maltreated. Yet as they spoke of their experiences I heard the same note of amusement somewhere in it, and eventually said so, comparing this extraordinary aspect of their experiences to those of European resisters during the Second World War. They laughed, and agreed that it was indeed so; even while they lived in fear or in suffering, they had smiled. "But you know, Mr Levin", said one of them when the laughter subsided, "it is a very expensive way of keeping oneself amused."

And so indeed it is, whether in Hitler's Europe or Brezhnev's Poland. And because the Biggles-like cheerfulness that inevitably breaks in at the recounting of such a story as the Tale of Two Duplicators is apt to dominate any consideration of the truth about the way resistance in Poland actually operates, and what the penalties for it are, let us remember that it is not really much fun to live every day in a vile imperialist possession of the world's vilest and cruellest imperial power, even if no defiance of that power or its local satraps is undertaken, much less if it is. Miroslav Chojecki and those who work with him in KOR (the organization that defends and *supports all* those in trouble with the regime for any political reason) or in the free publishing house, NOWA, are *indeed heroes*; it is *not every* day that they fool their oppressors in the fashion I have related, but it *is* every day that they go in fear of arrest, beatings, imprisonment and even death. It is indeed a very expensive way of keeping oneself amused, and no less expensive when it is a matter of keeping a tiny candle of freedom burning in the long night of Eastern Europe.

(Concluded)

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Solved, the Bletchley Park papers enigma

A great deal has been revealed and written about the unscrambling of the wartime Enigma machine, perhaps the greatest single breakthrough ever achieved by British intelligence. But whatever happened to the original documents in the affair—the raw transcripts of the German signals decoded at Bletchley Park?

Alas, it has just come to light that they no longer exist. They were destroyed 27 years ago.

For this discovery I am indebted to Michael Latham, who as well as being Conservative MP for Melton is a keen historian and has played a prominent part in ensuring that all Second World War intelligence papers that can be released without jeopardizing national security have been deposited in the Public Record Office for the benefit of scholars.

The flood of documents, code-named "Ultra", based on messages transmitted on the German Enigma machine, and now available at the PRO are, it seems, mere summaries of the originals passed down the teleprinter wire to Whitehall.

The original German signals, as Latham learned from a former official at Bletchley Park, were bound daily into what were called "German books". He wanted to know where these were kept and contacted Ian Gow, the Prime Minister's parliamentary private secretary. Gow asked Sir Robert Armstrong, Secretary of the Cabinet, about it.

Sir Robert told Gow that the German books had been destroyed in 1953 "in the knowledge that the record was, in all significant respects, rendered completed by the retention of the translated texts and the messages to commands".

I think it a great pity that the originals of some of the intelligence service's finest work should have been irretrievably lost, particularly as the service has recently acquired itself a rather bad name over the Jock Kane Hong Kong revelations.

Match play

A BBC radio team has left London for Italy to cover the European Football Championship. But this is no squad of hyperbolical sports reporters on their way to shower the listeners with Colemanisms; it is a small contingent from the drama department off to write and record a play whose plot will depend on England's fortunes in the tournament.

Tony Osoba, the black Scottish actor familiar to viewers of *Porridge* and *Charles Endell Esquire*, had the idea of following two Scots supporters to the World Cup in Argentina, and making a play of their adventures. But the BBC declined to pay his fare, which is perhaps just as well in view of what happened to his team.

Now the idea has found favour at a slightly less expensive venue. Osoba will be accompanied to the matches in Turin, Naples and Rome by fellow-actor and writer Neville Smith, and a tape recorder. The play will develop as they go along, and they hope to intersperse their lines with a certain amount of documentary off-the-cuff speech from real fans they meet along the way. The 75-minute finished drama, be it tragedy or comedy, will go out on Radio 4 less than a week after the final match in Rome.

Jane Morgan, the director, told me that although the play itself had yet to be constructed, the titles had already been agreed. It will be called either "Over the Moon" or "Sick as a Parrot."

Hymn or Her?

With a full-scale official revision of the Methodist hymnbook currently under way, a group of women within the church have seized the opportunity to press for a change in what they regard as the blatantly sexist nature of religious language.

Judith Maizel, a Methodist ordinand from Birmingham and a member of the unofficial group which met last week to draw up a report for presentation to the Church's texts committee, told me yesterday that it was not only the constant reference to the Deity as a male that they objected too, but the large number of hymns which seem to ignore the possibility that female worshippers might be present.

Thus, when the minister announces "Rise up, O men of God", should two-thirds of the congregation remain seated? Miss Maizel and her group are recommending that such hymns should be excluded altogether from the new edition, having decided that "Rise up, O girls of God", sounds as bad, if not worse.

Other hymns, they think, could stand some alteration without damage to their style. Charles Wesley's "Pleased as man with man to dwell" from "Hark! The herald angels sing", could quite happily become "Pleased as one with us to dwell". But the group do not necessarily wish all hymns to become entirely sexless; some, they think, should refer to God as "she", "mother" and "sister", to add to the rich vraiety of metaphors for the Deity.

They do admit, however, that reference to God as a female would sound initially shocking and disturbing, until worshippers had become used to such lines as "So serve the Queen of Queens". Nevertheless they note with dismay that in the first 81 hymns in the current book, male references to God occur 287 times.

One way round the male bias suggested by the group is that the Almighty be referred to, not as "He" or "Him" but as "You", which to traditionalist ears will sound unduly familiar and a mite disrespectful. Does this mean that when the official revision committee considers the proposals later this year, they will be asked to entitle their new edition "The Methodist Youbook"?

Running late

You may not have heard of Napoleon Hill, author of the volume *Laws of Success* and a guru of the American win-friends-and-influence-people school. I have just been looking at an edition of his book from the twenties, which is dedicated to, among others, Henry Ford, "whose astounding achievements form the foundation for practically all of the 16 lessons of the course". Tributes to Mr Hill are included from William H. Taft, Thomas Edison, F. W. Woolworth, Woodrow Wilson and George Eastman, of Kodak fame.

More recent tributes to Mr Hill's philosophies have come from Charles Richardson, the former London gang leader now on the run. Several times, in letters home from prison, he extolled the virtues of Mr Hill. I just wonder if Richardson, failing to report back to his open prison, recalled an essential Hill axiom: "Remember that when you make an appointment with another person you assume the responsibility of punctuality, and that you have not the right to be a single minute late".

Preserve us

This week's High Court ruling that a man who chopped down a 200-year-old "listed" oak tree could not plead ignorance as a defence may have caused a few tremors of alarm. After all, some 3,000 tree preservation orders are made every year, and a single order may embrace an entire copse, spinney or forest. Over the years that adds up to a lot of protected timber.

But the possibility that, in removing an old o from the bottom garden, or even lopp couple of branches, unwittingly destroyi national heritage is, to the Department Environment, fairly r

Preservation orders by local authorities be notified to the ow cerned, the departme our. As for the innoce who buys a bungalow all unknowing th immemorial sycamo listed national monum can blame the solic searches the title deed kept in ignorance.

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E OIL CARTEL

in a ministerial meeting ganization of Petroleum g Countries has suffi- apered over the organi- yawning cracks to semblance of order in ing of crude oil. In was probably more the n position of the world et than the political from the Saudis that ome moderation in the level of oil price in- As the recession in the the industrial world ace over the next year the scope for general rises imposed unilater- he oil producing coun- not be great.

ld, however, be wrong any very comforting conclusions from this from the point of view stern world as a whole. that at a time of such demand for oil, Opec to be able to push ny price increase at all vidence that the cartel pable of business. The predictions in some that market forces and tantial divergence of and political interests Opec members would lead to a break-up of have during the 1970s mistic and premature. the attitude of the eneral towards Opec as s undergone something nge. During the early he decade, above all e 1973-77 explosion in prices, Opec was seen as a potentially lethal threat to the economic stability of the world economy. More recently the outside perception of Opec has changed to that of a mechanism whereby Saudi Arabian moderation has kept the oil price below what it otherwise might have been.

Thus on the one hand elements in the West would like to see a further disintegration of Opec and rejoice in evidence from meetings such as that now ending at Algiers that the cartel is having difficulty in reimposing a uniform and coherent price structure. On the other hand other elements wish that Opec was now a more disciplined body with whom it might be possible to negotiate more stable longer-term agreements, not only in the matter of price but also over volume and security of supply.

It looks increasingly as if Opec will remain a significant element in the world economic and industrial order. Despite all its obvious and potential internal weaknesses, it has held together over the past two years and promises to continue to do so. In these circumstances it is probably better that the industrial world should in its own interest come to terms with Opec and work actively on policies to reconcile their respective interests.

The starting point for this realistic policy should be the acceptance that the real price of oil is unlikely to fall. Indeed, the probability is that over the years it will continue to rise. Equally, for the foreseeable future oil will provide the overwhelming part of the world's energy requirements. The domestic policies of Britain and other industrial countries, therefore, must continue to have as a high priority increasing conservation in the use of oil. The main weapon in the fight to conserve energy must continue to be the price mechanism. Here the substantial rise in the price of petrol in the United States would be expected to make an increasing impact on volume consumption figures, as profligacy in the use of oil products is reduced and the whole economy moves in the direction of greater efficiency of fuel use.

This is, however, classically a situation where the beneficial tendencies of market forces should be supplemented by positive government action. This is because the short term costs in the private sector of introducing increased fuel efficiency are often so high as to discourage measures that would, if carried through, be of substantial long-term benefit to the economy. It is a matter of regret that the Government appear to be giving such reduced attention and money to the pursuit of energy conservation. Since for the rest of this century we shall be operating in a world environment characterized by increasingly expensive oil and other energy sources, conservation must remain an urgent priority, with appropriate resources devoted to it.

DER AS AN EXPORT

ths ago a declaration d after a meeting of "revolutionary com- in Benghazi, calling for sical liquidation" of f the revolution living s well as of elements Libya considered to ucting "revolutionary n political or economic e, then ten Libyan citi- abroad have been deli- killed—four in Rome, ondon, one in Beirut, Bonn, one in Athens yesterday in Milan—istances which suggest were victims of the d policy. On April 27 Gaddafi the Libyan ued a "final warning s of the bygone regime ents of the defeated exploitation currently oad" to go immediately an people's bureaux s) "in order to facili- r return home as the only chance of saving s". He later fixed June e deadline when this nce" would expire. une 11 has passed we sumably expect a fur- of murders or attemp- ers of Libyans abroad. In Italy, indeed, the Colonel's admirers could not even wait for midnight to strike. Libyan communities and local police forces throughout Europe will be on their guard in the coming weeks, for although the official Libyan news agency claims that large numbers of Libyans have heeded the Colonel's "advice" and returned home, there are certainly large numbers who have not: a decision which, given the number of arrests and executions reported inside Libya, is not as foolhardy as it might seem. One may as well be physically liquidated for living abroad as for obstructing revolutionary change at home.

Colonel Gaddafi said last week, "I only fixed that date to save them from the revenge of the revolutionary committees. I cannot protect anybody staying abroad after that date . . . Nobody has any control over the work of the revolutionary committees." This is another deplorable example of governments abdicating their responsibilities, like the Iranian regime which is unable to control the students who claim to be faithful to its leader—or for that matter that distinguished member of its legislative and judicial branches, Ayatollah Khalkhali, who, when not destroying monuments or sentencing drug-pushers to be executed by the dozen, glories in the activities of his assassination squads abroad. But at least in Iran's case it is probably true that the government has lost control, whereas Colonel Gaddafi's attitude is blatantly cynical, since he himself has publicly vaunted the merits of "physical liquidation" in several recent speeches and there is little doubt that he does in fact control the "revolutionary committees".

The British government has succeeded in obtaining the withdrawal of those members of the London "people's bureau" whom it suspected of involvement in these activities, and no doubt it will keep a very vigilant eye on those who remain, as well as on any other Libyans attempting to enter the country.

Any more general sanctions would probably damage British interests as much as those of Colonel Gaddafi. But his people should be in no doubt that he has put himself beyond the pale, and that what we recognize in Libya (according to the Foreign Office's new doctrine) a state rather than a government.

LUP TO THE RESCUE

lishment of new forms in the Church of Eng- led to the neglect of of Common Prayer and orized Version of the public worship. That have been the intention, proving to be the effect. while the innovators n getting their way they n losing the argument. gs become plainer every those two great books, essence of the post- ion Anglican church, desuetude, a tradition parable value is lost. It ural loss, which is bad and it is a religious loss, very much worse. so plain that the reform it is founded on a mis- nding of the nature of l language. The objec- been to dress public in standard modern n order that ceremonies ntelligible, in order that cease to seem obsolete ding archaic, and in express new theological s.". Certainly, the of a liturgy should be ble in so far as the matters alluded to are intelligible, but more is required of the language than that. It should be dignified, solemn, resonant, universal, hieratic and unfashionable. These are requirements, not optional extras. The Church of England is blessed with forms of public worship exceptionally endowed with those qualities—and it is busy pushing them out of use.

This obvious objection has commonly been countered by the claim that ordinary people, as distinct from aesthetes and sentimentalists, derive more benefit from public worship conducted in contemporary speech and with the use of concepts familiar from other discourse. If preference is a measure of benefit, that claim looks weak in the light of the Gallup poll published yesterday. Gallup is not the last word on the subject, and a couple of the central questions are a bit cloudy, but it does show that in this, as in some other matters, the traditionalists have much popular support. It is time the clergy back-pedalled.

The sample was taken from those claiming to be "C of E" in the army sense of the expression, with sub-samples of those going to church with varying degrees of regularity. Three out of four in the full sample preferred the Prayer Book marriage service, and only one in ten preferred a modern version. And so it was with the Lord's Prayer. However, Gallup did not probe the reasons for the respondents' preferences: it may be that they prefer Cranmer to synodical committees as they prefer imperial to metric, or because the service that has always been around seems to be the real thing in a way that the other versions do not.

The churchgoers divided fairly evenly for and against 1662 and modern substitutes, but they showed a decisive preference for readings from the Authorized Version in church, the least educated showing the firmest attachment to it. Those attending church most regularly had a slightly greater toleration for the new services, which may point to familiarity at work or may mean that those who do not like the new services, finding little else, drop off. The young, for whose sake it sometimes seems the whole convulsion is being undergone, do not appear particularly appreciative.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Haughey initiative on Irish union

From the Secretary of the Ulster Unionist Council

Sir, In reading the report of the comments of Mr Charles Haughey, the Prime Minister of the Irish Republic (report, June 10), I was mildly surprised to learn that he referred to "the flat-footed unremitting guarantee which the British Government extends to the Unionist section of the population of Northern Ireland". Presumably Mr Haughey is referring to section 1 of the Northern Ireland Constitution Act, 1973.

Embodied in the 1973 Act is a pledge by Parliament "that in no event will Northern Ireland or any part of it cease to be part of Her Majesty's dominions and of the United Kingdom without the consent of the majority of the people of Northern Ireland voting in a poll . . .". This statement is wholly unremarkable. It constitutes a declaration of this country's determination to respect the right of the people of Northern Ireland to determine their own constitutional destiny. Such a guarantee is given not to Unionists, but to the people of this province as a whole.

The act of revoking a pledge to respect majority decisions is not merely to adopt a neutral stance, but would in effect be to proclaim that in certain circumstances a minority viewpoint should prevail. This, no doubt, is recognized by Mr Haughey, and will explain the vigour with which he attacks a pledge given to "the people of Northern Ireland".

It is interesting to note that the concept of holding a border poll, which is embodied in the "guarantee" deprecated by Mr Haughey, was enthusiastically espoused by John Hume and other SDLP leaders in the early 1970s. Possibly this is another illustration of how demands escalate over the years.

The Prime Minister of the Irish Republic expresses his willingness to respect "the interests and traditions" of Ulstermen inside a United Ireland. If this is true, could he give an indication of the sincerity of his offer through recognizing Ulster's often expressed wish to remain an integral part of the United Kingdom.

Yours faithfully,
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Labour policy on private schools

From the Master of Wellington College

Sir, It is reported this week that a subcommittee of the National Executive Committee of the Labour Party is considering proposals aimed at isolating the independent sector of education by making pupils from independent schools ineligible for grants at universities, and by making the schools reimburse the state for training the teachers. "We are trying to put people off going to private schools" Mr Neil Kinnock is reported as saying.

Very much more is at stake than this. If these proposals were ever adopted two completely new concepts would be introduced into the political life of this country. It is at present accepted that all taxpayers are entitled to benefit, if they so wish, from the services provided by the state. A millionaire can receive free medical treatment, make use of the library service and draw an old-age pension. There may, in some instances, be a means test, as in the case of university grants, but so far as I am aware the state has never in modern times discriminated against any group of taxpaying citizens on social, racial, religious or any other grounds.

If it is once accepted that a group of taxpaying citizens can be singled out and denied a benefit available to all other citizens, a new and terribly dangerous precedent will be established. It will be open to governments to blackmail any section of the community by threatening to deny to them any of the benefits to which they would normally be eligible: pensions, or social security benefits, free medical treatment or even the normal forms of tax relief which at present apply to all. Can Mr Kinnock begin to justify discriminatory government action of this type aimed at one small section of the community?

The other proposal is equally alarming. It has been accepted in this, as in all other democratic countries, that men and women are free to move into any employment without incurring penalties from the state. They are entitled to accept such assistance as the state is prepared to give with education and training and are then, without coercion, enabled to choose between working for the state, in the Civil Service, local government, nationalized industries, or in the private sector. If the employers of those who decide to teach in independent education are to be required to reimburse the state for the costs incurred in their training, must not this principle be applied also to all employers in the private sector and to all who go into private practice in the law or accountancy, or any other profession, and to the self-employed?

What possible justification can there be for discriminating against one particular profession and one particular group of institutions? There would be endless anomalies. What happens when a teacher transfers from independent education to the maintained sector after a year or two? Is there a refund? What happens when a man or woman comes out of another profession into teaching after, say, 15 years? What share of the previous training is the school then to meet? Can Mr Kinnock begin to justify such discriminatory action aimed at one part only of the private sector?

It would be better if Mr Kinnock and his advisers devoted their energies to tackling some of the real problems that confront secondary education at this time. In some secondary schools the shortage of specialist teachers and uneconomic sixth form groups have resulted in key Advanced level subjects being removed from the timetable, most notably Advanced mathematics, physics and chemistry, and a second foreign language. It is a tragedy if any child is denied the opportunity to develop fully his or her talents in any academic subject.

The challenge that ought to be issued to every local authority and to *all* schools within that authority is to examine all the educational resources of the area both maintained and independent to see how, in cooperation, they can best be used to provide a full educational opportunity for all children.

I do not doubt that the independent schools would enter willingly into any such discussions.

Yours faithfully,
FRANK FISHER,
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June 10.

A far-reaching resignation

From Lord Crathorne

Sir, The current interest in the Crichel Down issue (leading article June 6) prompts me to write to you about my father's thoughts on the affair. He resigned as Minister of Agriculture, accepting responsibility for the errors of his department and what particularly pleased him was that his action had such a far-reaching and long-term effect.

He was a great believer in supporting the rights of the individual against injustice of any kind and he was confident that the assurances he gave over Crichel Down would prevent a similar situation ever arising again. He gave no indication that he considered land and buildings to be different in this context and it was surely intended that the Crichel Down principle should cover such situations as that of Allen and Unwin.

Since your leading article the Secretary of State, Mr Heseltine, has happily altered the position, but it is to be hoped that the narrow interpretation of the Crichel Down principle by the Department of the Environment will not be repeated by any department in the future.

In your leader you said quite correctly that "This may seem a small issue . . . but it is in fact a great one". If the principles of Crichel Down are ever eroded beyond recall we shall all be worse off as a result.

Yours faithfully,
CRATHORNE,
House of Lords,
June 10.

From Mr William Firth

Sir, Mr Raymond Durrant (June 9) is surely incorrect when he states that Allen and Unwin should not be allowed to negotiate exclusively with the District Valuer to determine a valuation of "their" property. The original valuation was carried out in this manner, so what fairer method than to use the same process to arrive at a current valuation?

Only if the state had acquired the freehold from a willing seller by bidding themselves at a public auction could the resuctioning of the freehold be considered fair.

Yours faithfully,
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June 9.

Dr Fox Phenomenon

From Dr Guy Routh

Sir, The Dr Fox Phenomenon, described on Monday (June 9) by Michael Leapman, is in evidence at universities throughout the world. It is gratifying to hear that Dr Scott Armstrong has demonstrated it so nicely. There is no known cure, but it may be restrained by some exercises in mental hygiene. I require my students to ask of every economic theorem: is it true or false? If true, is it trivial or operationally significant? By constant practice they are thus able to develop a certain resistance to the fanciful trivialities with which academic economics is replete. In our School of Social Studies all students are required to do a course in "Concepts, methods and values" to improve their capacity to judge the meaning of ideas.

Thomas Reid put the problem in his *Essays on the Intellectual Powers of Man* (1785), when the term *philosophy* covered all systems of ideas: ". . . philosophy was become an art of speaking learnedly, and disputing subtilely, without producing any invention of use in human life. It was fruitful of words, but barren of works, and admirably contrived for drawing a veil over human ignorance, and putting a stop to the progress of knowledge, by filling men with a conceit that they knew every thing."

Yours faithfully,
GUY ROUTH,
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June 10.

Order to council tenants

From Mr Jonathan Davies

Sir, I have had shown to me the draft conditions to be inserted in the proposed new lease to be offered to Islington Council tenants.

It contains an extraordinary clause. It says: "You must not evict or attempt to evict any person living with you in your home except with the council's written permission and in accordance with the law".

This is an attempt by the council to control the circumstances in which people become "unintentionally homeless" from council property, thereby becoming qualified for rehousing.

The council intend to enforce their control by a chilling method. They will not consider a person to be unintentionally homeless if he has been evicted from council property without permission unless he consents to give evidence about the eviction in (presumably) a possession action.

The effect of this is that an unmarried mother, or couple for whom there is no room in a crowded council flat will, if they are told to leave, be faced with the dilemma of either giving evidence against their parents or failing to qualify for housing.

Alternatively a council tenant who finds his lodger insupportable, or who is fed up with a wayward son's behaviour, can do nothing about it without the council's permission. Examples of the last are not so uncommon—indeed in the very same evening session I attempted to advise a mother whose son had become unlivable with.

Some may regard these examples as a little sensational and it may be that an enlightened council like Islington would administer the clause most justly. But that does not take away from the fact that the clause is a completely new type of intrusion into people's control of their own affairs.

It is a move from state-subsidized housing into state-directed housing. It may be expedient but it is not defensible.

Yours faithfully,
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EEC contribution

From Mr Christopher Tugendhat

Sir, In his article (June 9) "Important lessons for Britain now that we have learned the EEC lesson", Michael Shanks has some wise things to say which I endorse. In discussing Community finances, however, he made a remark on which I should like to comment.

He said that the United Kingdom had gratuitously contributed to its EEC deficit by increasing its domestic VAT rate from 8 per cent to 15 per cent. This is not so, because the implication that there is a relationship between the domestic VAT rate and the revenue going directly to the Community from VAT is erroneous. Each member state contributes not a percentage of its VAT revenues but a percentage of its VAT tax base which has been harmonized throughout the Community and is thus a fair basis for assessment. The actual VAT rate prevailing in the United Kingdom therefore makes no difference to the revenue going from the United Kingdom to the Community from this source.

Yours faithfully,
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Sale of Persian MS

From Dr Yolande Crowe and others

Sir, As fellows of the Royal Asiatic Society, we write to dissociate ourselves from the decision of the Council to commit the Rashid al-Din manuscript to public auction as announced in your columns on May 9.

We consider the society has not sufficiently explored other means of raising funds, including the possibility of an appeal, and in taking what appears to be an easy way to increase its capital for purposes that have not been made adequately clear to the membership. As your report rightly makes clear, this extremely rare and beautiful fourteenth-century manuscript and its companion volume in Edinburgh University Library are the starting point for any scholarly research on Persian painting.

The manuscript was entrusted to the society by one of its members for safe keeping and for the benefit of scholarship. To consign it to the saleroom is, in our opinion, to break this trust. It also sadly exposes the manuscript to the risk of being broken up, as has happened with a number of other Oriental manuscripts, the most recent and notable example being the Houghton Shah-Nama.

In conclusion, we hope that the Council may, even at this late stage, reconsider its decision.

Yours faithfully,
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Fees for Greek students

From Professor Robert Browning, FBA, and others

Sir, Lady Young's announcement (*The Times*, June 5) that Greek students who start courses in Britain this September will be required to pay full overseas students' fees for the academic year 1980-81, rather than those for British and other EEC students, because Greece does not join the EEC until January 1, 1981, sounds unjust and is breathtakingly mean. It also contradicts a ruling of the Department of Education and Science which has been passed to prospective Greek students. Is it too late to make amends?

Yours etc,
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A smelling aid

From Mrs George Reinhardt

Sir, As we approach middle age most of us find the need to help our eyesight with gradually strengthening glasses. As we get older still some of us reach thankfully for a hearing aid. That takes care of two of our faculties. But what about smell?

Apart from danger, such as failure to spot a gas leak, the loss of smell can be an abiding sorrow. To walk round a flower-filled garden after a spring shower and not get a whiff of that delicious freshness is like spiritual blindness. Much of the poetry of life is missing.

Can the manufacturers of, for instance, hearing aids, not turn their thoughts away from ears and consider the nose? It would be interesting to know how many *Times* readers would welcome the invention of some little gadget to help the neglected nose.

Yours truly,
ROSAMOND REINHARDT,
Everest,
9 Greenways,
Henfield,
West Sussex.

British Council cuts

From Professor J. A. Dulck

Sir, The British Council is once more threatened by drastic cuts in its budget which, if carried out, would jeopardize its action abroad. I would like to bear witness to the irreplaceable work it is doing. In this country it runs several libraries that are at the same time centres of discussions and meetings. Not only are they of great help for our students and researchers but also to the general public who find such information about Britain as is not available anywhere else.

The French Association of University Teachers of English is 300 members strong and is thankful for the help of the British Council, which has proved indispensable for the organization of all the forms of cultural exchange we have tried to establish between our two countries: exchanges of lecturers, organization of symposiums dealing with British literature and civilization or English linguistics. These activities, part of our mission as French "Anglicists", could hardly be carried out without the presence of the British Council by our sides. In those days of international misunderstanding are they not essential?

Yours etc,
J. A. DULCK,
Professor of English, University of Paris,
Chairman of the French Association of University Teachers of English,
5 Rue de l'Ecole de Médecine,
75006 Paris.
June 3.

Below the belt

From Sir Robert Lusty

Sir, A day or so ago I all but lost my trousers whilst awaiting a host in the vestibule of Claridge's. They had been suspended from my person by modern braces which deride the need for buttons and gnash to their prey with plastic teeth.

A complaint seemed not unreasonable. "How long have you had them?", enquired the haberdasher. "My wife gave them to me just over a year ago". "You have been fortunate, Sir. They are not expected to last for more than a year."

Redundancy, we have to accept, is nowadays a built-in component of a wide range of articles other than human beings. It has not occurred to me that gentlemen's braces were suspect.

Ought not government hazard warnings to be insisted upon whenever redundancy is a deliberate ingredient introduced with dubious propriety?

Yours faithfully,
ROBERT LUSTY,
The Old Silk Mill, Blockley,
Moreton-in-Marsh,
Gloucestershire.
June 6.

Passion Play sources

From Mr Hyam Maccoby

Sir, Professor G. D. Kilpatrick (June 3) points out quite correctly that Matthew's account of the Passion is more anti-Jewish than that of Mark, but that even Mark states that "it was on the orders of the Roman governor and on the initiative of the Jewish authorities that Jesus was crucified". Whether Mark is here stating the truth, says Professor Kilpatrick, is a purely historical question, to be decided on its merits.

I agree, but would point out that the expression "Jewish authorities" requires clarification. The High Priest was a Roman appointee and was regarded by the mass of the Jewish people as a quisling. The High Priesthood had long ceased to carry with it any spiritual or teaching authority. The true Jewish authorities were the Pharisee rabbis or "sages", whose teaching has been the foundation of all later Judaism.

The question, therefore, is whether the sages were involved in Jesus's indictment and arrest. It is noteworthy that the Pharisees are nowhere mentioned as concerned in Jesus's trial or execution. The charges allegedly made against Jesus by the Pharisees, eg, in the matter of Sabbath observance, do not appear in the accounts of the trial. The trial itself was, in many points, in breach of Pharisee law; many scholars have concluded that it was not before the religious Sanhedrin, but before the High Priest's police court—John, indeed, indicates this plainly by saying that it was held in the High Priest's house and was not a trial but an interrogation.

It is very much open to doubt whether Jesus, in fact, ever clashed with the Pharisees at all, since they did not forbid healing on the Sabbath and would have agreed with his attitudes, on many points where they are represented as criticizing him. The whole picture of conflict between Jesus and the Pharisees smacks of a later period when the Church was indeed in conflict with the Pharisees.

The Oberammergau play, by representing the majority of the Jews as furthering Jesus's execution, rather than a tiny, unrepresentative minority acting on political motives of collaboration with the Romans, is perpetuating a myth that has caused untold misery to the Jews.

I refer your readers to works by Paul Winter, S. G. F. Brandon and myself for confirmation of points made summarily above.

Yours faithfully,
HYAM MACCOBY,
Leo Baeck College,
33 Seymour Place, W1.

Music cuts

the Deputy Managing BBC Radio

ve read with interest Mr nwald's letter (June 10). I s important to clarify signi- ferences between the BBC way broadcasting works in rmany, where it is based eral system. There are nine ndependent broadcasting ions, each of which is sig- a separate agreement with on whose territory it oper- is therefore impossible to direct comparison between estral situation in Germany his country.

ition to having the right to usic recordings with their estras *for use in perpetuity extra payment*, they also estricted use of gramophone Therefore each organiza- achieve the variety and y in musical output by the radio audience.

BC, by contrast, is severely d in the use of the output aff orchestras and also, by nt with Phonographic Per- e Limited, in the use of cial gramophone records. usicians' Union of Great have always declined to e agreements similar to pplied in West Germany. The proposals now made to the Musicians' Union are designed to achieve, by the employment of staff orchestras and freelance musicians, a comparable variety of music to that enjoyed by the West German listener.

Finally, it is worth pointing out that the revenue enjoyed by West German radin is considerably in excess of that received by the BBC under the present licence.

Yours faithfully,
DOUGLAS MUGGERIDGE,
Broadcasting House, W1.

Back on course

From Mr H. G. Hasler

Sir, Writing in your issue of June 6 about the Royal Western *Observer* singlehanded transatlantic race, Mr John Young says: "There are those, including reputedly Hasler, who was not at Plymouth yesterday and was said to be in Scotland, who regret the degree to which the race has been commercialized by sponsorship."

I do not regret anything of the sort. Until shortly before we moved to Scotland I served as a member of the race committee and I have always felt that the organizers and the sponsors have guided the development of the race in a responsible and imaginative way in spite of being subjected to strong conflicting pressures and a certain amount of downright opposition. I am delighted with their success and grateful to the race's many friends and helpers on both sides of the Atlantic.

Yours, etc,
H. G. HASLER,
Scottish Farm,
Lochgilphead,
Argyll.

All in the game

From Mr E. H. C. Gritton

Sir, In today's *Times* (June 7) Mr Alan Gibson speculates whether a county captain had played for England under one of his own players.

R. W. V. Robins was captain of Middlesex 1935 and 1937 and G. O. Allen played under him. In 1936, against India, and in 1936-37, against Australia, Robins played for England under Allen.

It would be interesting to hear if readers could recall other instances.

Yours faithfully,
E. H. C. GRITTON,
Middle Gingers,
The Grove,
Frimley, Surrey.

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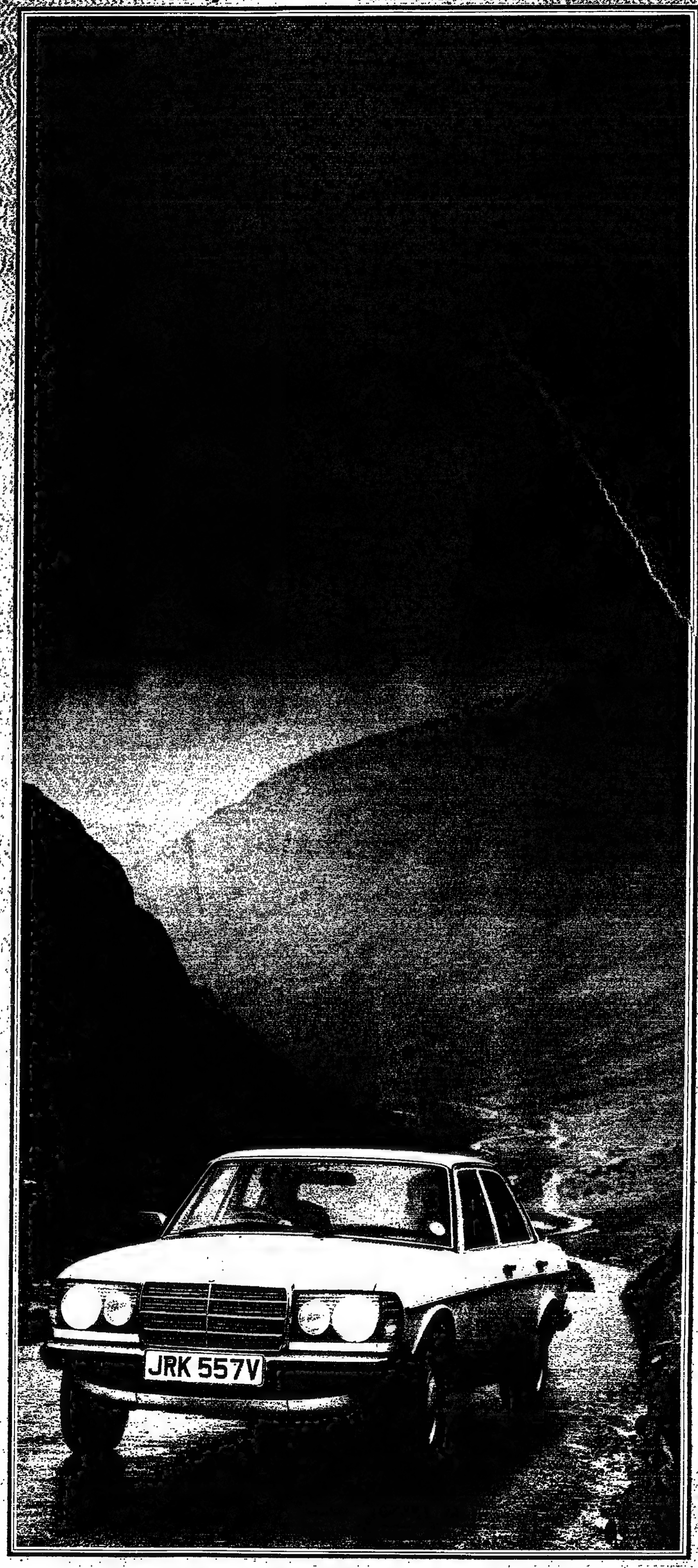

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NGHAM PALACE
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ight Hon Margaret That- (Prime Minister and First the Treasury) had an of Her Majesty this

uke of Edinburgh, attend- Ving Commander Antony , arrived at Northaller- ion in the Royal Train ning and was received by esty's Lord-Lieutenant for orkshire (the Marquess anby).
yal Highness visited Royal e Leeming (Commanding Group Captain J. Curry). ards The Duke of Edin- tended the Annual Con- f the Institute of Hous- rrogate where His Royal was received by the Harrogate (Councillor son) and the President stitute (Mr T. Collinson). uke of Edinburgh later /Bradford Airport in an The Queen's Flight for

oyal Highness, as a was present this evening eption at the National Museum, Greenwich. Rupert Nevill was in .
nce of Wales this morn- d and toured the Ship- ndustry Training Board's uilding Training Centre on, Southamptno. al Highness afterwards MS Excellent at Whale rtsmouth.

The Prince of Wales this evening attended a Civic Banquet given by the City of Portsmouth at the Civic Offices, Guildhall Square, Portsmouth.
His Royal Highness, attended by Captain Anthony Asquith, travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.
The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, attended by Mrs Andrew Feilden, visited HMS Pembroke, Chatham, Kent, today.
Her Royal Highness travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

CLARENCE HOUSE
June 11: Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother was present this evening at a Festival Service for the Friends of St Paul's which was held in St Paul's Cathedral.
The Lady Elizabeth Basset and Captain Alastair Aird were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
June 11: Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester, Colonel-in-Chief, The Royal Hussars (PWO) opened the Reigimental Museum at Winchester this afternoon.
Her Royal Highness travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.
Miss Jean Maxwell-Scott was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE
June 11: The Duke of Kent this morning opened the new premises of Anchor Foods Limited and in the afternoon visited Plessey Semi-conductors Limited at Swindon.
Lieutenant-Commander Richard Buckley, RN, was in attendance.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE
June 11: Princess Alexandra this afternoon presented the certificates and prizes to the Nurses at The Royal Free Hospital, London.
In the evening, Her Royal Highness, as Patron, attended a Reception at the Plastics Injection Moulding and PVC Welding Plant of London Association for the Blind at Verney Road, SE16.
The Lady Mary Fitzalan-Howard was in attendance.

The Prince of Wales will attend a dinner and reception given by the Faculty of Advocates at Parliament House, Edinburgh, June 30.
Princess Anne will visit Brussels to attend a charity ball on June 19 to celebrate the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of Belgian independence.

Photograph by Bill Warhurst

Cricket in the 1770 style was recreated at Hambledon, Hampshire, yesterday when members of the village team played in a match arranged by Southern Television.

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J. O. L. King to be f the Royal College of Surgeons; Mr Michael ior vice-president; Mr Lignett, junior vice- Fellowships: Mr rown, Mr John Norval R. Spratling.

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s of S Michaels Burton elcome on Foundation 12. A commemoration be held in Chichester t 10.45 and a garden hool at 2.30. Please let you are coming.

Today's engagements

The Duke of Edinburgh, as president, attends meeting of Royal Mint Advisory Committee, Buckingham Palace, 10; as Master of Trinity House, attends annual court, church service at St Olave's Church and luncheon with Elder Brethren at Trinity House, noon.
The Prince of Wales, Elder Brother of Trinity House, attends annual court and luncheon, Trinity House, noon.
The Duke of Gloucester visits RAF Henlow, Bedfordshire, 11.
The Duke of Kent, as Colonel-in-Chief, visits 1st Battalion, The Devonshire and Dorset Regiment, Colchester, 10.30; later visits factories of 600 Group.
Princess Alexandra visits Isleworth Blue Church of England School, Middlesex, for 350th anniversary celebrations, 11.10; attends Anglo-Spanish Ball, Grosvenor House, 8.30.
Exhibition: Floris van den
Talks: Apsley House, Freda Taylor, Wellington Museum, Apsley House, Hyde Park Corner, 1.15; Degas, Audrey Tundall, National Gallery, 1.
Memorial service: Dame Cicely Courtneidge. St Paul's, Covent Garden, noon.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr A. K. Buchanan and Miss K. N. Lloyd
The engagement is announced between Alan, son of Mr and Mrs W. K. Buchanan, of Edinburgh, and Kate, daughter of Mr and Mrs F. G. Lloyd, of Ripponden, Yorkshire.

Mr M. J. Cleary and Miss C. M. F. Dorrity
The engagement is announced between Michael Joseph, son of Mr and Mrs J. Cleary, of Birmingham, and Catherine Mary Frances, daughter of Mr and Mrs A. J. Dorrity, of Hove, Sussex.

Mr N. Moser and Miss P. Trenter
The marriage will take place on June 25 at Ramat Hasharon, Israel, between Naftali Moser, B.Comm, BA, son of Mr and Mrs John Moser, of Sydney, Australia, and Pamela, daughter of Mr and Mrs George H. Trenter, of London.

Mr G. P. Phillips and Miss F. H. Galloway
The engagement is announced between Graham, son of Mrs V. M. Phillips, of South Croydon, and Fiona Hillary, daughter of Mr and Mrs Z. R. Galloway, of Horsham, Sussex.

Mr C. P. Phippen and Miss J. C. Nash
The engagement is announced between Paul, second son of the Rev Dennis and Mrs Phippen, of 11 Selden Road, Worthing, and Caroline, daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Nash, of The Old Barn, Dunsdale, Westerham, Kent.

Mr J. Sayeed and Miss N. A. P. Power
The engagement is announced between Jonathan, elder son of Mr and Mrs M. M. Sayeed, of Hampstead, London, and Nicola Anne, only daughter of Dr and Mrs N. A. Power, of Brompton Square, London.

Mr M. Chidley and Miss V. Unwin
The engagement is announced between Mark, only son of Mr and Mrs E. H. A. Chidley, of 1 Canchester Close, Chislehurst, Kent, and Victoria, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs A. J. T. Unwin, of Hurn Lodge, Beverley, North Humberside.

Mr G. W. M. Farmiloe and Miss J. M. Blois-Brooke
The engagement is announced between Guy, younger son of Mr and Mrs Leslie Farmiloe, of Albany Mansions, London, SW11, and Jennifer, elder daughter of Captain and Mrs T. E. Blois-Brooke, of Cresborough, Rhos, Pembrokeshire.

Mr A. H. Platt and Miss M. Seldenrath
The engagement is announced between Humphrey, son of Commander and Mrs E. H. W. Platt, of Rose Porch, Pinkneys Green, Berkshire, and Marjolein, daughter of Mr and Mrs T. R. Seldenrath, of The Hague, Holland and of Pembroke Lodge, Holly Bank Road, Woking, Surrey.

Mr R. D. L. Symes and Miss M. A. Perrin
The engagement is announced between Dunkin, son of Mrs Bobbie Symes and the late Dr R. L. Symes, of Lymington, and Margaret, younger daughter of Mr L. G. Perrin, of St Martin's, Guernsey, and the late Mrs Grace M. Perrin.

Mr E. A. Tonge and Dr H. M. Jones
The engagement is announced between Eric, son of Mr and Mrs W. G. Tonge, of Penydarren, Merthyr Tydfil, Mid-Glamorgan, and Margaret, daughter of Mr and Mrs A. J. Jones, of Eastwood Avenue, Grimsby, South Humberside.

Luncheons

Lady Mayoress
The Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress entertained the following guests at luncheon at the Mansion House yesterday:
Sir Douglas and Lady Black, Mr and Mrs Nigel Broakes, Mr Neil Crichton-Miller, Mr and Mrs Stanley Heather, Sir John and Lady Keswick, Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Eric and Lady Penn, Colonel and Mrs J. I. M. Small, Mr and Mrs E. C. J. Whittingham and Miss Lucia van de Post.

Press Association
The chairman of the Press Association, Mr Ian Park (The Liverpool Daily Post and Echo Ltd) presided yesterday at the members' annual luncheon held at the Savoy Hotel. The principal guest and speaker was the Prime Minister, Mrs Margaret Thatcher, and guests of the association included:
Lord Barnetson, Mr A. B. Brooker, Mr R. Francis, Mr John Freeman, the Hon Alan Hare, Sir Denis Hamilton, Mr John Harvey, Mr J. F. W. Hardingham, Mr G. Long, Sir Richard Marsh, Mr A. H. McLachlan, Mr A. Miles, Mr C. F. Sandelin, Mr Stan Swinton, Mr G. Upton and Mr H. L. Verry.

British Security Industry Association
The British Security Industry Association held a luncheon at the Hyde Park Hotel yesterday. Mr Peter Smith, chairman, presided and the principal guest and speaker was Mr William Whitelaw, the Secretary of State for the Home Department.

Foote, Cone and Belding
Mr and Mrs W. M. Kiely were hosts at a luncheon held yesterday at Claridge's hotel on the retirement of Mr Brian MacCabe, after 33 years as Chairman and President of FCB Limited. Among the guests were: Baroness Burton of Coventry, Lord Luke, Lord Cudlipp, Sir John Rodgers, Sir Roger Falk, Sir Keith and Lady Granville, Sir Barrie Heath, Dame Ruth Railton, Sir Basil Smallpeice and Mr Cecil King.

Lunchtime Comment Club
Sir David Floyd Ewin was the guest speaker at a luncheon of the Lunchtime Comment Club held at the Connaught Rooms yesterday. Mr Stanley Burton, chairman of the club, presided.

Supper

HM Government
Mr Norman St John-Stevas, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, was host at a supper held at 1 Carlton Gardens last night in honour of Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn and Princess Chulabhorn Valayalaksana, of Thailand, after a performance of Romeo and Juliet at the London Coliseum.

Receptions

National Maritime Museum
The Duke of Edinburgh, as a trustee, was present at an evening reception at the National Maritime Museum, Greenwich, yesterday to celebrate the completion of the rebuilding and redevelopment of the museum. The guests, who were received by the Hon Anthony Cayzer, with Miss Rosanne Cayzer, and Mr Basil Greenhill, director, with Mrs Greenhill, included:
Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for the Environment, and Mrs Heseltine, Mr James Callaghan, MP, and Mrs Callaghan, Lord and Lady Mowbray, Segrave and Stourton, Admiral Sir Henry and Lady Leach, Admiral Sir Desmond Cassidi, Miss Cassidi, Admiral Sir Charles and Lady Madden, Admiral Sir James and Lady Eberle, Viscount Runciman of Doxford, Lord and Lady Wolfenden, Lord and Lady Bullock, Lord Hinton of Bankside, the Hon Mrs A. C. Mole, the Bishop of London and Mrs Ellison, Rear-Admiral Sir Edmund and Lady Irving, Sir Robert and Lady Armstrong, Sir Ian and Lady Bancroft, Sir Douglas and Lady Henley, Sir Frank and Lady Cooper, Dame Margaret Weston, General Sir Ian and Lady Gourlay, Sir Arthur and Lady Drew, Sir Ronald and Lady Swayne, Sir Huw and Lady Wheldon, Professor Sir Michael and Lady Swann, Sir Clifford and Lady Jarrett.
The Mayor of Greenwich and Councillor D. Deane, the Chairman of the GLC and Mrs B. Brook-Partridge, Rear-Admiral and Mrs A. J. Cooke, Dr and Mrs Denis Rebbeck, Mr Sydney Gilfard, Mr Stewart Morris, Mr and Mrs Gordon Richardson, Captain and Mrs Miles Wingate, Mr Adrian and Lady Judith Swire, Mr and Mrs Guy Barnett, Mr and Mrs E. V. Wright, Mr and Mrs C. W. Lloyd, Mr and Mrs J. S. Morrison, Mr and Mrs G. A. Bowyer, Dr and Mrs E. C. B. Corlett, Mr and Mrs R. J. B. Walker, Dr Helen Wallis, Mr and Mrs John Murray, Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs J. R. Mason, Professor and Mrs J. R. Hale, Dr and Mrs D. M. Wilson, Dr John Hayes, Miss Lindsay Stainton, Dr John Tanner, Miss Cook, Mr Giles Waterfield, Mr and Mrs Patrick Shovelton, Mr David Ropner, Miss Lucy Ropner, Mr and Mrs Lionel Jeffries, Mr and Mrs Michael Hordern, Mr and Mrs David Thompson, Mr and Mrs Philip Bimms, Mr and Mrs David Nicholas, Mr and Mrs Richard Francis, Mr and Mrs Aubrey Singer, Mr and Mrs Michael Mason, Mr and Mrs Donald Trelford, Mr and Mrs James Bishop, Mr and Mrs Michael Wright, Mr and Mrs D. W. Waters, Mr and Mrs Maldwin Drummond, Professor and Mrs E. T. Hall and Commander and Mrs Donald Williams.

Antiquarian Booksellers' Association
The Antiquarian Booksellers' Association held a reception at the Institute of Directors Club last night to mark the occasion of the twenty-second Antiquarian Book Fair at the Europa Hotel, Mr Raymond O'Shea, chairman of the fair, and Mrs O'Shea presided.

Service luncheon

The Green Howards (Alexandra, Princess of Wales's Own Yorkshire Regiment)
The annual luncheon for officers of The Green Howards (Alexandra, Princess of Wales's Own Yorkshire Regiment) and their ladies was held at the Institute of Directors yesterday by courtesy of the committee. Brigadier J. B. Oldfield, Colonel of the Regiment, presided. The Norwegian Ambassador and Mrs Jacobsen were guests of the regiment.

Service dinner

43rd/52nd Dinner Club
The annual dinner of the 43rd and 52nd Dinner Club took place at Claridges hotel last night. Colonel H. J. Sweeney presided.

Latest wills

Mr Arnold Whitley Taylor, of Wakefield, Yorkshire, precision engineer, left estate valued at £50,350 net. After other bequests he left the residue equally between Wakefield Cathedral and York Minster. He stated: "In view of the grievous losses and hardships distress and insecurity which I have suffered together with the virtual destruction of my own private enterprise and a life's ambition due to state interference with private industry and the liberty of the individual no benefit whatsoever shall pass under this my will to any state aided institution".
Other estates include (net, before tax paid: tax not disclosed):
Adams, Mr Edward Francis, of Poole, Dorset, company director £141,561
Askew, Mr Anthony Bruce, of Hartfield, East Sussex £598,487
Cookson, Mr Keith Henry, of Alfold, West Sussex .. £276,428

25 years ago

From The Times of Monday, June 13, 1955

Washington, June 12.—President Eisenhower, subject to the sanction of Congress, has taken another constructive step towards the fulfilment of his vision of the atomic age to which he would have the world progress through the peaceful uses of nuclear energy. He urged the United States yesterday to offer research reactors and nuclear fuel for their operation to all friendly nations. Half their cost, he proposed, would be borne by America. Smaller countries unable to meet even half the cost might join, he suggested in regional arrangements for the construction of mutually owned reactors

Kessel still life goes for £22,000

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent

Old Master paintings have to be very decorative nowadays to sell beyond expectations. Two delicious little still-life paintings of flowers, fruit and vegetables painted on metal by Jan van Kessel II fell into the category yesterday, reaching £22,000 (estimate £6,000-£8,000) at Sotheby's. Otherwise the sale ran into some difficulties with 21 per cent of the final £206,350 total left unsold.

In contrast, the rise in the value of bullion has given the market in antique gold coins a significant boost. Sotheby's sale of English and foreign coins made £180,483 with only 2 per cent left unsold.

Bord paid £4,900 (estimate £2,200-£2,500) for a William and Mary five-guines piece of 1693 whise condition was described as "good, very fine". An Elizabeth I pound, a late sixteenth-century hammered gold coin, made £4,000 (estimate £1,500-£2,000) also to Bord.

Prices in the main were slipping to lower levels in Phillips sale of nineteenth-century ceramic oddities, pot lids, fairings, Goss etc. But an extra large pot lid entitled "The Traunat" still raised a bid of £1,800 (estimate £1,000-£2,000) from a London dealer.

Battle over Selborne MS

By Philip Howard

Battle is joined at Christie's today for possession of the manuscript of one of the great classics of English literature, Gilbert White's *The Natural History and Antiquities of Selborne*.

White's final draft, with his own corrections and editing notes, and transcripts of his letters to fellow-naturalists Thomas Pennant and Daines Barrington, is a national treasure that should come home to roost at Selborne, where it was written.

The Gilbert White Museum in the Hampshire village that White immortalized has worked with the British Library to raise money to buy the manuscript. Offers of help have come from hundreds of private individuals, charitable trusts, and local authorities. The other obvious institutions in Britain that would otherwise be interested in the manuscript have agreed to stand back to let the museum have a clear run against dealers and foreign bidders.

If the museum manages to buy the manuscript, it plans to publish it in facsimile for White scholars and lovers. It is of particular importance for the light it throws on the way that Gilbert White edited and adapted a series of personal letters to a form suitable for a top-selling book. Dr June Chatfield, curator of the museum, said yesterday: "We hope that other Britons will not bid against the museum, since we need to reserve all our efforts to meet foreign competition."

OOD & WATER OR DEATH

Help needed desparately in malia if starvation and thirst ot to kill many more refugees

least 1,300,000 tribespeople have ne refugees", reports the Times "as ult of fighting in Ethiopia."

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ld often have no one to help them and terrible hardship. Water purification wells) and food are the most urgent . Lack of medical aid, clothing and ets is also acute.

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to Somalia Appeal, Hon. Treasurer, Rt. Hon. Lord Maybray-King, Help the , Room T6, 32 Dover Street. London 2AP.

The Corps of Commissionaires

The Administrative Board of Governors of The Corps of Commissionaires held their annual meeting at the Royal Commonwealth Society on Wednesday, June 11.

The reports and accounts for 1979 were adopted and Air Chief Marshal Sir David Lee was elected to be a member of the Board and of the Executive Committee.

General Sir Reginald Hewetson was elected to be President of the Board in succession to General Sir Dudley Ward who tendered his resignation on reaching the official retirement age.

University news

Oxford
Awards:
Frere exhibition, Dr V. Robinson (St Catherine's College); Stanhope historical essay prize, P. E. M. Ward (St John's College); proxime accessgerunt, P. Hudson (New College) and C. A. Clayton (University College); additional prize, J. C. Fuller (University College).

Bristol
Professor P. H. Pettit has been appointed Pro-Vice-Chancellor from August 1, in succession to Professor G. F. C. Rogers.

Promotions to reader
Dr E. Braun (drama); Dr B. L. Gyorffy (physics), Dr P. J. Miller (zoology), Dr L. E. Lanyon (veterinary anatomy), Dr W. D. Billington (pathology), Dr P. A. Lynn (electrical engineering), Dr C. G. A. Clay (economic history), Dr D. A. Egginton (accounting).

Grants
£248,685 from the University Grants Committee.
Medical Research Council: £141,937 to Professor M. H. Richmond to investigate molecular and epidemiological studies on R-Factors and other plasmids and an extension of the grant period to January 7, 1984; £58,274 to Dr P. J. England to investigate phosphorylation of muscle proteins and their involvement in the regulation of contraction in the heart for three years; £41,730 to Dr S. N. Lawson to investigate relationships between physiological and morphological properties of dorsal root ganglion neurones for three years; £28,306 to Dr A. P. Halestrap to investigate hormonal regulation of gluconeogenesis in the liver at mitochondrial level for three years.
Science Research Council: £38,204 to Dr E. G. Ellison to investigate creek, crack, growth and rupture for three years; £37,310 to Dr S. R. Bowes to investigate closed loop microprocessor control of pulse width modulated inverter drives for three years; £35,540 to Professor P. H. Fowler and Dr R. N. F. Walker to investigate Ariel 6 heavy cosmic ray experiment: finance for analysis and command phase for one year and 10 months; £28,790 to Professor R. T. Severn to investigate aseismic design of concrete dams for three years. £28,450 to Professor L. F. Crabtree to investigate forward swept wings on aircraft for two years; £22,650 to Dr M. L. Sinnott to investigate heavy atom isotope effects in glycosyl transfer reactions for three years; £22,550 to Dr B. L. Gyorffy to investigate linearized selfconsistent band theory for metallic alloys for three years.
£21,117 from the Agricultural Research Council to Dr M. C. Sinnott for an investigation entitled "a-L-Arabinofuranosidases of Monilinia Fructigena" over three years.

Science report

Biotechnology: Purifying interferon

By the Staff of *Nature*

In yet another triumph of recently developed techniques for manipulating living cells, two British biologists have announced this week an important technical breakthrough in the purification of the natural anti-viral substance interferon.

Dr David S. Secher, of the Medical Research Council laboratory for molecular biology in Cambridge, working with Dr Derek Burke, of Warwick, University, has succeeded in constructing a cell that will grow indefinitely and produce unlimited quantities of uniform antibodies which can be used to extract interferon from the fluids in which it is secreted.

Techniques for purifying interferon are essential for progress both in understanding the potential of the substance as a drug and developing it for large-scale clinical trials. Interferon is produced by body cells in response to infection with viruses, and it has long been suspected that it might be valuable in the treatment of viral diseases for which no other treatment is known. Its effects on the growth of cells have also led to speculation that it may be useful in treating cancer.

So far, all attempts to test interferon have given equivocal results and attempts at proper assessment have been hamstrung by the immense difficulty of getting hold of more than tiny quantities of interferon at a time, and the difficulty of purification.

At present, human blood cells grown in culture are the best source of interferon, and it was fluid from such cultures that Dr Secher and Dr Burke used to raise anti-interferon antibodies. They raised the antibodies simply by injecting the culture fluid into rats.

But because the fluid contained at most only 1 per cent interferon, most of the antibodies produced by the rats were against contaminants in the fluid. In order to obtain antibodies against interferon only, Dr Secher used a technique recently developed in Cambridge by Dr C. Milstein and Dr G. Kohler.

That technique involves making hybrid cells, known as hybridomas, constructed by fusing a tumour cell with an ordinary antibody-producing cell from an immunized animal. Out of hundreds of such hybrids, some will combine the ability of the normal cell to make antibodies with the ability of the tumour cell to grow indefinitely in culture. Since a single antibody-producing cell can secrete only a single kind of antibody, such hybridomas are an unlimited source of absolutely uniform antibodies.

By far the most tedious part of the procedure for Dr Secher and Dr Burke was screening all the hybridomas they made for one secreting anti-enterferon antibodies The vast majority of the hybrids produced antibodies against various impurities. To detect those that were producing anti-interferon antibodies, Dr Burke had to test them all for their ability to prevent the effect of interferon on cell growth.

In the end, Dr Secher and Dr Burke found only one hybridoma cell line that produced anti-interferon antibodies. But they have been able to use those antibodies to purify interferon from the original 1 per cent extract 5,000-fold in a single step. Eventually they hope it will be possible to achieve complete purification in one step.

Techniques for purifying interferon without complex many-step procedures will be particularly important in the light of recent reports from Switzerland and Japan that the genes for human interferon have been inserted into bacteria. One long-term aim of those experiments is to persuade the bacteria to manufacture the interferon specified by the inserted genes. Should the bacteria turn out to be capable of producing interferon on a large scale, a simple procedure for purifying it from the bacterial culture medium would be essential.

In the shorter term, the hybridoma antibodies will be used to develop a highly sensitive radioimmunoassay to detect the tiny amounts of interferon produced naturally by animals. In that way, it will be possible to clarify the circumstances in which interferon is produced by body cells, which body cells produce it, and what it does.

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OBITUARY

DR L. J. RAE

Pioneer work in radiology

Dr Laurence John Rae, who died on May 28, had been associated actively in the field of diagnostic x-rays in medicine for over half a century, first entering the Radiological Department of the London Hospital in May, 1930, as a clinical assistant and remaining there till his retirement in July, 1968, at which time he had been Director and Senior Consultant Radologist to the London Hospital for 10 years. Following his retirement he continued in active radiological practice, principally in Surrey (Sutton General Hospital) until his death.

John Rae was born on November 14, 1901, and educated at Bishops Stortford College Medical School, Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge, and the London Hospital Medical School. He qualified, BA (Cantab) in Natural Science I in 1924 and MA (Cantab) in 1929; LRCP (Lond) and MRCS (Eng) in January, 1927, and MB, BCh (Cantab) in December, 1929. He entered The London Hospital in 1927 and in addition to his work at the London, he had a Harley Street practice and a radio-diagnostic practice in Sutton since his appointment as honorary radiologist to the Sutton General Hospital when it was founded in 1931.

In 1975 he published with Professor J. M. Cameron an *Atlas of the Battered Child Syndrome*. He was one of the first British radiologists not only to recognize the Battered Child Syndrome but to show an active interest in the Forensic aspects of his specialty.

Behind his rather shy and somewhat retiring nature was a heart of gold; a wealth of experience, loyalty and integrity; and that old-world courtesy and concern for others which endeared him to all with whom he worked.

In his younger days, he was an enthusiastic and highly experienced swimmer and golfer, both sports he continued active participation in until a short time before his death.

His wife, Blodwen, died in 1977. They had enjoyed nearly fifty years of happy marriage; they took a special pride in the lives and careers of their two sons and two daughters. John Rae's many friends, colleagues and former students will have been saddened to learn of his death.

PRINCE TOMASO CORSINI

G. W. and C. J. B. write:

Prince Tomaso Corsini, Prince of Sismano, Duke of Casigliano, Marchese di Lajatico, died suddenly on June 4 at his home in Florence, at the age of 76.

His mother, Donna Rezia (nee Rasponi) had many English friends so that her son, known as "Pio", and her daughter, Donna Anna, were bilingual. Pio Corsini with his fluent English, rather out-dated slang and pleasant, old-fashioned courtesy, could have been taken for an elderly British general; he was short, thick-set, had a bristling moustache and a military bearing. But this was only his outward appearance. He was, in fact, the most modest, gentle person of great sincerity, with a warm friendliness and a wide interest in people, books, animals, birds and nature in general.

The family estates in Tuscany and Umbria had been managed by him since his father's death in 1926. He loved the countryside and felt a close kinship with those who worked on the land. When he visited his farms he was welcomed by the men and women, not just as the owner, but as one of themselves, who enjoyed what they enjoyed and understood their ways. "This prince is a real *contadino*", it was said with pride.

He became one of the most knowledgeable experts in Italy on the breeding of cattle and horses; also on pigs, importing Wessex saddle-backs and other breeds from England. He grew tobacco, making toscano cigars for the government, was president of the Kennel Club and worked hard at varied projects in his Florence office.

Corsini was a member of the remarkable *Misericordia* organization, formed in the fourteenth century to deal with a terrible plague in Florence, and which continues to look after the poor and sick. During the Second World War, Corsini, as head of the family and the only adult male, was allowed to manage his estates and various properties, including the famous Palazzo Corsini which is considered to have the finest private collection of paintings in Florence. This was fortunate, for he loved England as well as Italy, and was strongly opposed to Fascism and to his country's part in the war on the side of Germany. During the war he and his family were able to hide and rescue a number of British, American and other escaped Allied prisoners-of-war.

In 1929 Prince Tomaso married Elena Avrogodor di Collobiano, and last November they celebrated their golden wedding surrounded by their children — Filippo, who succeeds as Prince Corsini, Christina, Annalu, Rezia and Nerina, and their seventeeen grandchildren.

DR R. V. COXON

Dr Robert Victor Coxon who died on June 2 had been a mainstay of the Oxford preclinical medical school for nearly 30 years.

Educated at St Dunstan's School and Guy's Hospital he took his MB BS in 1938, and MRCP and FRCS in 1940. He served in India in the RAMC for three years as Medical Specialist and there met and married his wife Mary, also a doctor in the RAMC. He came to Oxford as Betty Brookes Fellow after the war and worked on brain metabolism under Sir Rudolph Peters for his D.Phil. He continued to work on biochemical problems of the brain for the rest of his career. He worked for a year in the United States with Van Slyke and retained academic contacts especially with San Francisco.

He was appointed Reader in Human Physiology in 1951, Fellow and Lecturer and later Professorial Fellow at Exeter College. He became FRCP (London) in 1967 and Adviser to Preclinical Students—a post which at Oxford takes the place of a Prelinical Dean. He served on the General Board of Faculties for 20 years where he was much liked. His consciously conservative views, often preceded by a deprecating "I may be Blimpish but . . ." were to the point and often convincing. He was a strong supporter of the Final Honour School teaching and helped to repel attacks on it from inside and outside the University. He was twice Acting Professor of Physiology between appointments, and was a source of support and valuable advice to three heads of the department who lacked his experience of the shoals and rocks of the University academic procedure.

He had high standards in research, and feeling that physiology was becoming more quantitive, he took up a degree course in mathematics with the Open University at the age of 60. He leaves a wife and three children.

SIR KENNETH GRUBB

The Bishop of Winchester, a former General Secretary of the CMS writes:

A President of the Church Missionary Society is not a figurehead, but a personal adviser to the general secretary, closer and more constantly available than any other. Through an almost daily exchange of telephone calls and memoranda, besides innumerable consultations, I came to an intimate friendship with Sir Kenneth Grubb.

A shy man, he found it hard to believe that he had as many friends as in fact he had made. A sensitive man, he only gradually disclosed to his companions his deep love of beauty, of literature and of the countryside. A humorous man, his dry, detached approach to affairs always saved his colleagues from getting things out of proportion, and concealed in himself a deep vein of melancholy.

No narrow party flag was ever waved by Sir Kenneth, yet very many in the Church and far beyond the Church had reason to know perfectly well where this man stood in regard to his relation to Jesus Christ.

Having for so many years been at the centre of a web of different enterprises, he found retirement peculiarly difficult; but he bore these frustrations and his increasing physical weakness with the same courage that characterized the whole of his remarkable life.

MR IDRIS EVANS

L.A.M. writes:

Your brief reference on June 2 to the death of Idris Evans makes no mention of a major part of his life's work, namely, the unstinted voluntary service that he gave to University College, Cardiff, ever since his student days half a century ago.

Elected to the court of governors in 1945 and to the college council in 1951, he soon became, and remained right up to his death, one of the council's most active members. His special interest was the college's sites and buildings committee, of which in recent years he was chairman; but he could also be relied upon for help and advice in many other spheres.

Most recently he devoted much of his time to the preparations for the college's centenary, which to him (as a past president of the Association of Past Students) meant a great deal, but which he will not now see. He will be sadly missed; for it is not often that a man can be so truly described as a life-long friend of his old college.

Mr Alfred Wooder, CBE, formerly Chief Officer of the Middlesex Fire Service died on May 30.

MR R. J. E. TAYLOR

A. S. writes:

Eric (R. J. E.) Taylor, who died aged 64, on June 5, was Assistant Secretary to the International Wheat Council from 1971 until his retirement in 1977.

Apart from war service with The Lancashire Fusiliers in India and Burma, and a two year spell afterwards at the Cabinet Office, he was with the now Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food from 1939 until the end of 1970, latterly in charge of the Cereals Division.

He was an Exhibitioner of Merton College, Oxford, from 1934 to 1938, and his enduring love and knowledge of the classics influenced even a successful appearance in the BBC Brain of Britain competition. During the last years of his life he bravely overcame severe physical difficulties, but continued to take an active role in national and local committees concerned with mentally handicapped children.

Christine Countess of Longford, widow of the sixth Earl of Longford, died on May 14 at the age of 80. She was the daughter of Richard Trew and she was married in 1925. Her husband died in 1961.

New Books

Simple curiosity

On the Edge of the Cliff and other stories
By V. S. Pritchett
(Chatto & Windus, £4.95)

The Tale Bearers
By V. S. Pritchett
(Chatto & Windus, £6.50)

Writers do sometimes manage to keep going into old age, but few who last as long as Verdi and Titian do anything like as well. When Tolstoy died at 83 in the station at Astapovo it was over 20 years since his last major achievement, *The Kreutzer Sonata*. Sir Victor Pritchett is not a battleship like Tolstoy; he is more a destroyer, swift and manoeuvrable. But to produce a volume of stories and another of collected criticism on the eve of your eightieth birthday is something to be celebrated, especially when their contents, the work of the immediately preceding years, are as fresh and lively and characteristically nimble as these stories and reviews.

In a way Pritchett's stories throw more light on his criticism than the other way round. In the nine that make up *On The Edge of the Cliff* his distinctive emphases are all present. The crucial one is his preoccupation with the particular, with oddities or idiosyncrasies of feeling or conduct in people of objectively quite ordinary kinds. In the first three, for example, we encounter an elderly bear-like writer holed up with a young girlfriend by the sea, the mistress of a college lecturer confronting his baggy, dilapidated wife, and a retired mining engineer, furnishing his retirement through an obsession with the obscure detective-story writer whose house he lives in. These are manageable enough inventions, but their stories have to be followed; you never know what is going to happen next.

This devotion to the detailed particularity of his human creations leads Pritchett far away from the illustration of laws of behaviour and even further from morals or messages about the human condition. Simple curiosity is the elemental interest his fictions most directly reward; what are those people up to, what can it be like to be that person there? It also determines his brisk, mercurial allusiveness, his consistently deft avoidance of anything heavy, laborious or explanatory in his narration. At times these rapid movements of the writer's hands leave the reader a bit puzzled about what precisely has happened. He does not himself like to be on the receiving end of this kind of teasing. In *The Tale Bearers* he says of some unidentified bodies that appear in a Kipling story "it is maddening not to be told" and, in an analogous complaint about *Lord Jim* "how we have to wait . . . before we are allowed to know *what* the trial of Tuan Jim is about". But Pritchett's method does keep paraphrasable content, moralizing, generalization at uttermost arm's length.

It turns out, in a fine display of consistency, that Pritchett's fiction is just the sort of writing his own criticism is particularly well suited to explore. The twenty-three writers considered in *The Tale Bearers* are of very various levels of intention and achievement. At one end are Swift and Henry James, Conrad and Kipling; at the other an entertainer, E. F. Benson, a Boy's Own paper yarn-mill, Rider Haggard, a grotesque with flecks of genius, Corvo/Rolfe. It is in keeping that these essays are preponderantly biographical, even when not, as they quite often are, reviews of the biographies of authors.

What, apart from the singular connexions of life and work, notably attracts Pritchett is richness of detail. Thus he praises Saul Bellow for the special effusiveness of his intelligence, favours Mary McCarthy's use of her Candide-like negative hero in *Birds of America* as a device for giving rein to her own searching powers of exact observation, prefers the earlier, more concrete Henry James to the great nebulous oracle of later years.

In general Pritchett's is a criticism of singular enjoyment. He has no interest in schools, directions of influence, the general tendencies of an epoch. For the most part he is content to pick out the distinctive interest of the work and to set it off, where illumination is possible, against the background of the life. In consequence when he does make a moral point it is all the more memorable. Repelled by self-congratulating self-pity he fastens on it in Graham Greene and in Bellow's *Herzog*, without any loss of admiration for those authors' gifts. In real life, so to speak, he is memorably contemptuous of the sneerings of Aldington and Muggeridge about T. E. Lawrence.

In his fiction as in his criticism Pritchett has never been in any way shrill, exclamatory, an ego shrieking for attention. Now, at a time of life when it might be thought quite reasonable for him to settle quietly down inside himself, he retains all the intensity of interest in what lies outside which, we reasonably hope, gives him as much pleasure as it does his readers.

Anthony Quinton

Picture-map of Dover, probably drawn to illustrate harbour works about 1543, from **The History of Topographical Maps, Symbols, Pictures and Surveys** by P. D. A. Harvey (Thames & Hudson, £15). Inscriptions on the two inner harbours read "And this parte of the harbour is both clensed and deped vij foot" and "This herbour is enlarged and deped."

Fulfilling fantasies

Imagining America
By Peter Conrad
(Routledge, £7.50)

Americans and Nothing Else
By Trevor Fishlock
(Cassell, £7.95)

Peter Conrad's thesis is that the parade of British writers who have trooped across the Atlantic (or in some cases the Pacific) to judge America in the last 150 years have, by selective and prismatic observation, found there precisely what fulfilled their particular literary requirements.

Victorian novelists (Frances and Anthony Trollope, Charles Dickens) were confirmed in their view that, without a history, America "has not yet become the kind of upholstered bourgeois society which can sustain complicated relationships". For Rudyard Kipling, D. H. Lawrence and Oscar Wilde, this lack of any inhibiting social tradition was the main attraction, while for H. G. Wells the uncluttered American past provided a framework for a boundless technological future. Aldous Huxley and Christopher Isherwood found in California the fulfilment of their very different fantasies, while W. H. Auden, in the East Village section of New York, hit on a location which confirmed his loathing of himself and of humanity.

"In England these writers would have had to share the same congested, incest-ridden space", Conrad writes. "America disperses them, relegating each to the location aptest to his imagination." Conrad's analysis is perceptive, thorough and abullient, and if there is a lesson in it for present-day writers about America it is of the great danger of generalising from a particular experience. All the writers he discusses give a true account of the America they see, but, as he observes, "each version is new, and each contradicts all the others". It was E. B. White, the American essayist, who wrote that "an Englishman is unhappy until he has explained America."

Americans are themselves partly to blame for this English literary obsession. Shaw once pointed out that the way to arouse the interest of Americans was to abuse and ridicule them: that is why, after Dickens wrote of them as "windbags, swindlers and assassins" (Shaw's paraphrase) he was invited to give readings of the offending passages throughout the country and so exhausted himself that he died soon afterwards. "America exacts a penalty from those it celebrates and enriches," as Conrad observes dolefully. It sends them on exhausting lecture tours, physically draining but highly lucrative for those who survive, prompting Auden's enthusiastic couplet:

God bless the USA, so large,
so friendly and so rich.

Trevor Fishlock's book of cameos, *Americans and Nothing Else*, derives from something resembling a lecture tour shorn of the lectures: a travelling fellowship awarded by a university. As he roams the country, carefully noting everything from the length of the average businessman's trousers (too short) to the piles of popcorn on cinema floors, he clearly finds nothing to quarrel with in Auden's bland tribute to his hosts.

As readers of *The Times* know, Fishlock is a first-rate reporter and his book is a work of first-rate reporting. Darting back and forth across the continent in less than a year he cannot hope to gain more than a surface impression and his book does not pretend to offer anything more. Rather than an attempt to explain America, it is a series of sharply-drawn portraits of the landscape and its people. The gun lobby, the Ku Klux Klan, the Mormons, the Indians, the farmers, the South, the Grand Canyon, the devastated South Bronx, the police—nothing in this is unpredictable but Fishlock is aware of the danger of lapsing into cliché and for the most part rises above it.

Michael Leapman

Fiction

The Rat Report
By Constantine Fitzgibbon
(Constable, £5.95)

Mockingbird
By Walter Tevis
(Hodder & Stoughton, £5.95)

Post Office
By Charles Bukowski
(Melbourne House, £6.25)

The New Perspective
By K. Arnold Price
(Poolbeg Press, £4.50)

The Anchor Tree
By Emyr Humphreys
(Hodder & Stoughton, £6.50)

Some reassurance this week for those who complain that The Novel is in decline as a result of contemporary writers' obsession with the psychological development of their characters at the expense of a decent plot. Where some novelists dispense narrative with all the enthusiasm of a miser responding to a charity appeal, Constantine Fitzgibbon clearly has no fear of his stream of invention drying up. The central plot of his new book is an extension of an old behaviourist joke (First to Second Rat: "It's amazing how well I've got this psychologist trained—every time I press the lever he gives me food"), and concerns the efforts of a group of research and military scientists to intercept a message being transmitted telepathically by a laboratory rat to creatures unknown on another galaxy.

The message turns out to be a report on man's history and intellectual development since the Middle Ages, which allows Mr Fitzgibbon to deliver some telling blows against scientific progress (the pursuit of knowledge rather than wisdom) and to reinterpret the course of history from the viewpoint of rats. It transpires that they have engineered everything from the Black Death to the decline of religious belief in pursuit of their goal of maintaining human beings in sufficient numbers to feed both species, and their powers of precognition (rats leave sinking ships) also allow them to predict our future, which accounts for the involvement of the military.

But *The Rat Report* is not just science fiction. Sub-plots are tossed in with reckless abandon so that Mr Fitzgibbon can demonstrate his mastery of other genres. There is mysticism, literary criticism, polemic, romantic interest, university politics and two quite separate thriller themes, either of which a less profligate writer might have considered sufficient material for a whole book. With so many balls aloft, it is inevitable that the book's ending should be slightly disappointing, but the humour, excitement and intellectual pyrotechnics which have gone before ought to send it straight into the best-sellers' list.

The success of Walter Tevis' two previous books, *The Hustler* and *The Man Who Fell To Earth*, suggests that his new novel too will bring smiles to at least one corner of the hard-pressed publishing industry. Tevis is a Professor of Creative Writing (you do not hear so many jokes about them since they started turning out best-sellers) who understands the craft of story-telling better than many more illustrious figures in the literary firmament. *Mockingbird* is a novel set in the future rather than straight science fiction, and it has many echoes of Orwell. A greatly diminished human population is controlled not by rats or pigs but by dim robots, and life is sad rather than frightening for the people who remain.

When the hero steps out of line, however, first by rediscovering the art of reading and then by daring to shack up with the last fertile woman in the world (the result of a malfunctioning computer), he is sent to prison and she is taken over by the one competent robot, an attractive but melancholy figure called Spofforth, who exercises control from the improbable power base of the Deanship of New York University. The hero escapes, falls in briefly with a gang of rebellious humans who combine primitive Christianity with the lost skills of making omelettes and real coffee, and then makes for New York courtesy of thought buses, an admirable form of transport capable of mind-reading and never short of sound advice for those who travel in them. The ending is bitter-sweet, in the science fiction tradition, but Professor Tevis writes with wit, imagination and understanding which ought to ensure *Mockingbird* a much wider audience than the SF fraternity.

The audience for *Post Office* is harder to identify. The book's cover suggests light humour, the blurb aims higher by quoting Sartre and Genet's opinion that the author is the best poet in America, but the publishers might have done better to swallow their pride and aim this brutish novella at its natural market—the dirty mac brigade. To describe its central character as a male chauvinist is like saying that Hamlet was a rather indecisive young man, and it is not hard to see why the book has had to wait almost a decade before finding a British publisher.

Not even the most *revanchist* male editor would have risked it when consciousness-raising was the order of the day, and the relentless philandering of Henry Chinaski, a Los Angeles postman with all the sensitivity of a tin of spam, still makes pretty depressing reading. His efforts to outwit petty superiors and to defy the first law of the race-track that the punter always loses in the end might have made a mildly amusing book, but it's booze and broads (in that order) that keep Henry going, and quantity rather than quality that matters ("I thought of her millions, picked her up, flipped her on her back and stuck it in" is a typical account of his unheroic couplings). Not an edifying tale, and the publisher's boast that it is an autobiographical account of the author's years as a postman leaves one with the firm conviction that Charles Bukowski is someone one might be willing to forgo the pleasure of meeting.

Both K. Arnold Price and Emyr Humphreys tell us more about human relationships in a page than Bukowski manages in a book. *The New Perspective* is a tantalizingly brief comment on how little husbands and wives know about each other (Miss Price surely owes us a full-length novel), while Mr Humphreys takes time off from his sequence of Welsh novels in *The Anchor Tree* to compose some variations on the well-worn theme of a middle-aged man being destroyed by his love for a girl less than half his age against a background of small-town America.

John Nicholson

Impersonal end

The Tamarisk Tree
My School and the Years of War
By Dora Russell
(Virago, £8.95)

Hopes raised by the excellent first volume of Dora Russell's autobiography are dashed by this second offering. It is not really an autobiography at all, but a thin account of an educational experiment. Has the author simply advanced too far into her eighties to recapture her past in more than one dimension? By all accounts, she is as forceful and lucid as ever, but a passage towards the end of *The Tamarisk Tree* (Volume One) provides a more plausible (and sadder) clue.

She explains that the ending of her marriage to Bertrand Russell was a shattering experience which undermined her confidence in herself and others, and injured her very deeply; but she then fell in love with Paul Gillard, a young Communist and writer, and this new affair seemed to promise not only that old wounds would be healed, but also that she would find with him "undreamed of personal and mutual fulfilment". Gillard died suddenly — probably murdered by fascists—and his death swept away her hopes for the future as well as her means of recovering from the past.

I had to rouse myself from apathy to live for impersonal ends, first of all for the school, which was now all I had left.

It is significant that she regarded Beacon Hill School (which she founded with Bertrand Russell and continued to run for 11 years after his departure) as an "impersonal end". And indeed, she has produced an impersonal book, piecing together fragmented memories which do not quite cohere, perhaps because too many are lost. We hear no more about her "quest for love and liberty"—only that she eventually married Pat Grace (who had been a friend of Gillard) for purely pragmatic reasons during the war; and we are even left to guess whether or not they were lovers.

This lack of personal detail is not all that makes the book unsatisfactory; there is a listless quality about the narrative. She explains (with rare fervour) her ideas about education; she records the names of pupils at the school; she chronicles the arrival and departure of various members of staff; and she charts the itinerary of the school from Sussex to Essex to Kent to Somerset and finally to Cornwall, in the turbulent pre-war years.

What redeems the book—and says more about Dora Russell's achievements as an educator than anything from her own pen—is the anthology of poems and plays produced by her pupils, included in the penultimate chapter. *Thinking in Front of Yourself*, a play written entirely by children aged eight to 12 and first performed in 1934, features Mr Sanderson's Aircraft Factory, where the machines are unguarded and the work is noisy and monotonous. Enter the firm's advertising m[illegible] introduced by the [illegible] owner as "a very e[illegible] woman":

Modern Woman: *I do n[illegible] but I find people rather [illegible] to women in business. I[illegible] unfair and I see no reas[illegible] we shouldn't work if [illegible]*

Factory Owner: *If you [illegible] you must remember [illegible] aren't many women like [illegible]*

Youth: *There probably [illegible] be more if they had a [illegible] but so many are marrie[illegible]*

MW: *I'm married—[illegible] doesn't affect my work.*

Youth: *Oh!*

MW: *Try and realize [illegible] women are not secon[illegible] men, but are a separa[illegible] with a definite use in th[illegible] beyond mere reproducti[illegible]*

Later, Modern Wom[illegible] the sack—after protesti[illegible] conditions in the factory [illegible] live up to the public im[illegible] is expected to promote. [illegible] of its weighty theme, [illegible] is written, like all the r[illegible] great wit and fluency. I[illegible] shocked the *Ma[illegible] Guardian* when it was f[illegible] lished in 1934: sure[illegible] reviewer cried, "other[illegible] should occupy children[illegible] and not these".

In *What Shall we d[illegible] Judgment Day?* perfo[illegible] 1937, a "Dreadful Bo[illegible] comes before Jesus Ch[illegible] has returned to earth ([illegible] chute, clutching a h[illegible] bottle) to sort out the [illegible] mess created by two c[illegible] called Biffler and Mu[illegible] The Reverend Schmieg[illegible] dent of his own place i[illegible] advises J. C. that the [illegible] should "burn in ev[illegible] fire", but Gretchen, a[illegible] comes to his defence:

Indeed! He's better than [illegible] gel, he's got all our [illegible] workers together... He h[illegible] himself to get enough [illegible] do things for us and org[illegible] trade union, while Schm[illegible] sat in his church and pr[illegible] words and taken money [illegible] people to make himself [illegible]

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Tragic incidents

Collar the Lot!
By Peter and Leni Gillman
(Quartet Books, £8.95)

Prisoners of England
By Miriam Kochan
(Macmillan, £15)

Collar the Lot! begins with a brief account of the sinking on July 2, 1940, of the *Arandora Star*, the 15,000-ton Blue Star Line ship whose luxury cruises, advertised in glossy brochures, were renowned for a decade before the outbreak of war. But on this particular voyage, instead of her customary 420 sybaritic passengers, she was carrying 700 Italians and nearly 500 Germans, on their way to internment in Canada, with 200 British troops to guard them and a crew of 174. At 7 am that morning, 125 miles off the coast of Donegal, she was struck by a torpedo from the same U-Boat and the same captain, Prien, as had sunk the battleship *Royal Oak* in Scapa Flow the previous October. She sank in half an hour, and the loss of life was tragically high, especially among the older Italians, of whom a high proportion were on the lower decks.

The authors make this short account a sort of prologue to their book, and devote the next 180 pages to the events and policies which led up to this tragic incident. They then tell the tale of the sinking in greater detail, and revert for the last third of the book to the many vacillations in subsequent policy about internment.

It would be stupid to pretend that no mistakes or errors of judgment were perpetrated during the critical days of June, 1940, concerning who were to be interned, and what was to be done with them. Anybody with a clear recollection of the invasion scare of that period, with the apparently authentic tales of "fifth columnists" on the Continent, will be more charitable than the authors towards the people who had to take the decisions. The fact that the man was a popular restaurateur who had been established here for 20 years, or that a Jewish refugee from Vienna, was not *ipso facto* a guarantee that they were not a security risk; and it seemed hardly the moment for a leisurel[illegible] or sorting out. The [illegible] some tragic misjudgm[illegible] unnecessary separatic[illegible] there seems no doubt [illegible] ty arrangements abo[illegible] *Arandora Star* w[illegible] adequate. There was [illegible] of liaison between [illegible] departments, and un[illegible] about where responsib[illegible] small wonder in tho[illegible] weeks. There were so[illegible] cerities later on, no[illegible] the part of American[illegible] on the question of ch[illegible] sion of refugees to th[illegible] but the authors are [illegible] free with such phrase[illegible] disreputable story". S[illegible] Bland was not the [illegible] idiot they portray, a[illegible] Nuffield would hav[illegible] amused to be describ[illegible] member of "the nobili[illegible] book reads as tho[illegible] authors were in sear[illegible] latent scandal (like Lo[illegible] ell's "Last Secret") [illegible] which they could cr[illegible] so, they were on to [illegible] horse not worth floggin[illegible]

Prisoners of Engl[illegible] contrast, is a rather e[illegible] book, even though som[illegible] porridge is a little lum[illegible] Kochan has picked [illegible] stories of a dozen Ger[illegible] soners of war, mostly [illegible] in its later stages, and [illegible] their fortunes in their [illegible] prison-camps in Britai[illegible] of them were retained [illegible] or three years after [illegible] working on farms in [illegible] Wales and Scotland. [illegible] cases they made close [illegible] with their employers, [illegible] hospitable people nee[illegible] camps. Several eventu[illegible] tled in Britain; othe[illegible] returned on visits. T[illegible] not averse from pokin[illegible] those in charge of t[illegible] from revealing their [illegible] acquired skill in winn[illegible] The last sentence in t[illegible] comes from a Devoni[illegible] befriended a group of [illegible] a camp near his ho[illegible] who later visited some [illegible] many on his first trip [illegible] since serving in the [illegible] World War. "The [illegible] daughter of one of t[illegible] mans comes to stay [illegible] often. We love her as [illegible] were our own daughte[illegible] firm roots of friends [illegible] spreading underneath [illegible] face, and constitute a [illegible] lasting growth binding [illegible] countries."

Bernard Ferg[illegible]

Mystery

Dickens and the Invisible World
By Harry Stone
(Gollancz, £6.50)

As I would have revealed, but for the intervention of Death, thus preventing the accomplishing of a literary device — the polarization of the Good and the Evil in man into two distinct beings, John Jasper, the cathedral choir master (Good) and John Jasper the opium fiend and murderer (Evil) — with which I could have anticipated Mr Stevenson's Jekyll and Hyde by 15 years; I repeat, as I was about to reveal (but have been obliged, instead, to resort to the supernatural process of confiding my frustrated intentions to Mr Charles Forsyte in the hope that he would diligently take up my pen at the point where I had, perforce, to drop it and complete the tale for me), the solution to *The Mystery of Edwin Drood* is one which had already been hinted at by me in my letter to my biographer, John Forster, dated August the sixth, 1869.

I note, with satisfaction, that Mr Forsyte (despite his disinclination to reveal his true identity, preferring to follow my Bozian example and conceal himself behind a nom de plume) has faithfully carried out my wishes in weaving the above facts into his narrative and, furthermore, disclosing that Drood and Jasper were in reality half-brothers and not uncle and nephew, and that the reason Jasper destroyed Drood was that, under opium's influence, he believed the younger man had robbed him of his birthright.

I regret, however, that Mr Forsyte has seen fit to accommodate the sulky clerk Bazzard inside the cheerful skin of Datchery, that he has made no attempt to explain why the single buffer made a chalk mark inside his cupboard in the concluding sentence of my work, and that he has saddled Rosa with the uncharacteristic habit of calling the very proper Mr Grewgeious "Grew." *In aeternum*, Charles Dickens.

Peter Davalle

Muddied and flannelled

The past few months have brought us at least one exceptionally good sports book, **Runs and Catches**, by Tony Pawson (Faber, £5.95). Anyone who has read Pawson over the years would have expected as much. It is not really an "autobiography", as the publishers claim, because we learn little about the inner Pawson. But much of his life has been concerned with sport, playing it and writing about it. His principal sports have been cricket, Association football, and fishing. The fishing chapters are compelling, even to one such as me who has never been a fisherman, and has doubts about the morality of the thing anyway. The soccer chapters are very good, especially when they recall that remarkable anachronism, Pegasus, the Oxford/Cambridge club which twice won the Amateur Cup. At cricket, Pawson was good enough to have played for England had he decided to give the time to it, and had England been less rich with batsmen then. It would be a comfort to see him in the middle of the present batting order. He was the fastest, or at least the most intelligent runner between wickets I have seen, even better than Arthur Milton. He was in the same Oxford side as M. P. Donnelly. Donnelly, unusually among great batsmen, disdained the quick single. His view was that if he hit a ball properly, that was four, and if he did not, it only deserved one. Pawson ran for everything, and the Parks would shake with laughter when the two were in partnership, and Pawson was well away on his third run while Donnelly was ambling towards the end of his second.

New cricket stories are rare (though the names change). Pawson tells one new to me, about Rockley Wilson, who played for Yorkshire and England in the Twenties, and taught him cricket at Winchester. Wilson was a schoolmaster who was not troubled

about making remarks which were regarded as of questionable taste in those more modest days. When a boy unknown to him was assigned to his net and began bowling with wild abandon, he called: "What's your name, young man?" "Badcock, sir." "Don't think much of your balls, either."

The book is full of good stories, good writing, and good sense. I must declare an interest in writing about The Sunday Times Sports Book, since I contribute to the paper myself. At least I suppose I do, because I telephone a report to them on most Saturdays, and cheques duly arrive in return. I gave up taking the paper myself some years ago, for defects not of writing but of distribution. Living in Somerset, I grew tired of reading about Scottish football. The break came when the banner headline in the sports section read: "Rangers win, Celtic draw", and the supporting one was something like: "Cowdenbeath fight every inch". The book is published by World's Work Ltd, and is very good value at £7.95.

This selection of *Sunday Times* sports writing over the past 12 years demonstrates the quality of the writers. Among so many good ones, it is hard to choose, though I would say Longhurst takes precedence, with Marlar and Glanville not far behind. It is a book for looking at, as much as reading. I do not say this derogatorily. There are some remarkable photographs, which we have not seen properly before, because newsprint cannot bring the best out of a photograph. I do not altogether like the *Sunday Times* style in reporting sport —I could certainly do without the cartoons—and their hasty ways with match reports, of which there are only two in the book. I cherish a remark made to me by Derrick Collier, who had as much to do as anyone with their sports pages revolution. I was to be at a cricket match: close of play seven or thereabouts. "Four hundred words at four o'clock, Alan, and remember it must be a rounded, comprehensive piece." But they have produced notable journalism, in word and picture, and during the stoppage the loss I most often heard bewailed was that of the *Sunday Times* sport.

One aspect of their approach has been their attention to minority sports, such as squash. Squash used to be an upper-middle-class game, simply because squash courts were expensive to build, and the nature of the court meant that you could not expect much in the way of a gate. But it was always a splendid game, if you wanted to give yourself twenty minutes or so of enjoyable, intensive exercise. Today squash courts are a necessary part of any new sports centre, very sensibly too, if you approve of the idea that sport is a suitable object for the spending of public money (I don't much, myself, and yes, I wouldn't mind seeing the back of the Arts Council, either. But I digress). John Hopkins, of the *Sunday Times*, has written a book called **Squash: a Joyful Game**. It is pleasant to read, though, as its title suggests, a little effusive (World's Work Limited, £2.10, paperback). Derek Robinson's **Get Squash Straight** (Abson Books, Bristol, £1.25, paperback) though hardly more than a pamphlet, is primarily a coaching book, concisely written with touches of the Robinson dry wit. I would hazard that it might have been better if Hopkins had written Robinson's book, and vice versa. Squash needs sarcasm at times.

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Mr Carter gives up hope of balancing US budget

From Frank Vogl
Washington, June 11

The Carter Administration has given up all hope of balancing the budget in the 1981 fiscal year starting in October.

The White House will acknowledge in mid-July that yet another United States budget deficit is in prospect as the election campaign develops and President Carter can expect sharp criticism on this front from the Republicans.

His failure to secure a balanced budget could be one of the prime themes used by his opponent for the presidential election, Mr Ronald Reagan.

When Mr Carter ran for office in 1976 he vowed to balance the budget. In almost every speech in recent weeks he has pledged to ensure that the 1981 budget would be the first in 12 years not to run into deficit.

But the assumptions underlying a balanced budget rested upon an economy developing far more strongly than seems possible.

The final blow to White House hopes of matching revenues to outlays in the coming year was the Congress rejection last Friday of an oil import fee that would have raised slightly more than $10,000m (£4,300m) in revenues in the new year.

One of the few bright spots on the American economic scene is the contining decline in interest rates. Today the First National Bank of Boston cut its prime lending rate to 12 per cent from 13 per cent. Many other banks will probably make similar cuts shortly.

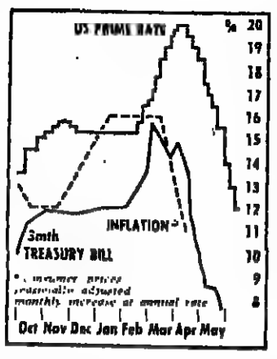
But increasing numbers of Government officials acknowledge that the economy may need more than just some lowering of interest rates to stimulate real growth. Mr Carter appears to be coming closer towards accepting the need for fiscal stimulus.

Even without new spending or tax cutting programmes it appears that the effects of the recession on employment and corporate profits will be to cut revenues in the 1981 fiscal year by at least $20,000m from currently projected levels.

In its revised buget estimates in March the White House said it expected receipts to total $628,000m and outlays to amount to $611,500m to produce $16.500m surplus.

The surplus was due almost totally to planned tax boosts that Congress is now not accepting. This means that even on the basis of tentative and optimistic White House calcuations, a deficit of 20,000m seems likely for the next fiscal year.

At the end of March the White House also stated that it expected the deficit in this fiscal year to total $36,500m,



but officials admitted today the final figure would certainly be substantially larger.

Indeed, far from securing balanced budgets, the Administration may well be coming close to producing deficits of almost record dimensions.

Chase Econometric Associates is predicting a deficit for the next fiscal year of $70,000m which would be a record. This assumes a tax cut in the next fiscal year.

Yesterday President Carter said in a speech to a group of city mayors that he was determined to maintain fiscal discipline. He added that "if recession should deepen and unemployment continues to rise unabated, I will work closely with you and we will take other steps which may be necessary".

Those "other steps" are seen here as meaning tax cuts and new public works and jobs programmes.

Congress has yet to agree upon a budget resolution. Serious disputes continue between some congressmen and the White House over the balance of defence aud social spending. The White House hopes the resolution based upon the figures issued in March will be approved in the very near future and that Congress will call for a balanced budget.

The mid-year economic review, due for release by the White House on July 15, is expected to contain bleaker economic forecasts than the one issued with the revised budget in March.

It is expected to state, for the first time publicly, that the 1981 budget will be in deficit. The final congressional budget resolution, to be passed in September, will be based on the new data and will include a deficit estimate. Administration officials said today.

The Administration had expected the actual decline in gross national product caused by the recession to be no more than about 1.5 per cent and it had expected unemployment to peak at about 7.25 per cent.

Inmos cash decision unlikely before deadline

By Peter Hill

Government decisions on providing a further £25m cash advance to Inmos, the National Enterprise Board-sponsored semi-conductor company, are likely to be delayed beyond the end-of-June deadline set by the company's founders as critical.

Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Industry, has been told by the NEB that it is carrying out an urgent reappraisal of the controversial project because of the six-month delay since the board recommended that the Government approve the second £25m tranche of funds.

Sir Arthur Knight, the NEB chairman, and his colleagues, who are angry at the lack of a decision by the Government, believe it prudent that a review of the project should be carried out in view of changed market circumstances.

It appears that Sir Arthur is still confident about the project being supported and officials have been encouraged by the Inmos performance both at the development centre in Bristol and at its American base in Colorado Springs.

The continuing controversy over Inmos is a source of increasing tension between ministers and the NEB which is being exacerbated by the serious differences of opinion which have emerged between the NEB and its other major subsidiary, Ferranti, over the most suitable means for the board to dispose of its 50 per cent interest in the electronics group.

In the Commons yesterday the Government came under attack from the Opposition over the proposed sale of the NEB stake in Ferranti with MPs expressing particular opposition to any sale of the NEB stake to GEC.

Sir Arthur and his colleagues insist that they have no preconceived notions on the most acceptable way of disposing of the 50 per cent NEB stake given that they will be required to take accounts of the company's interests and those of the taxpayer, since the sale of the Ferranti stake will count towards the NEB's contribution to reducing the Public Sector Borrowing Requirement.

The way in which the Ferranti board has launched into a public campaign and lobbied ministers in support of its preferred disposal option for a sale of its holding through the Stock Exchange, either in one operation or in stages, has underlined the fragile relationship between the two sides.

Ferranti will publish its last year's results later this month and the NEB will then invite bids before the end of next month. In the light of the bids and the consequences for the long term future and health of the company together with possible reference to the Monopolis and Mergers Commission, the NEB will then decide what course to follow.

The Inmos controversy is being seen as a test of the Government's support for the board which it appointed following the mass resignation of the previous board last November. Members of the new board are anxious not to press the Government too hard for a decision without having first established whether the basis for the original decision to recommend the second tranche of public funding has been altered by the six-month delay.

Dr Richard Petritz, the Inmos founder, apparently has been pressing Sir Arthur to secure a quick decision. This is to meet the end of the month deadline which the company considers critical to the future of its plans to build a factory alongside its development centre at Bristol.

Sir Arthur Knight: Favouring a review

Australian base for Murdoch newspapers

Mr Rupert Murdoch is planning to switch control of News International, which publishes the News of the World and the Sun, to his Australian master company, News Corporation, under a complex cash and share deal.

Shareholders of the 50.1 per cent of News International not already owned by News Corporation are to be offered two new News International shares for every one and these will effectively rank as shares in the Australian company.

Announcing details of the capital reconstruction at News International's annual meeting in London yesterday, Mr Murdoch said that Australian broadcasting rules prohibited British shareholders from being offered a direct stake in News Corporation.

Although the new shares will notionally account for 39 per cent of News Corporation's expanded capital after the deal, they will carry no rights other than to dividend payments in line with those of News Corporation.

The Australian group will then offer to buy up to half the new shares at a price of £1 each, which compares with a market suspension price equivalent to 81½p.

A spokesman for News Corporation's advisers, Morgan Grenfell, said yesterday that the new shares to be issued under the deal were an "unprecedented" new investment medium.

Mr Murdoch has already won support for the deal from directors, family interests and certain institutions controlling 29 per cent of the outstanding equity.

Later, at News International's head office in London, Mr Murdoch said that the planned reconstruction was designed to avoid a conflict of interests".

At present News International shares control of News Corporation's American publishing interests, which are now trading profitably after several years of heavy losses. The British group also controls certain magazines in Australia.

Mr Murdoch said that he had no intention of adding to his newspaper titles in the United Kingdom either by takeover or starting from scratch.

"I don't think we would in the present climate for newspapers, although we are forever looking at the idea of a Sunday Sun," he said.

At the annual meeting he gave a warning to shareholders that interim profits in the current year were likely to be below those of last year, mainly as a result of disputes, but a recovery was anticipated in the second half.

Last year News International made a profit of £27.9m pre-tax After-tax profits of News Corporation were a $21.5m (£10.6m) including an A$11.2m (£5.5m) contribution from countries from associates, including News International.

Shareholders who accept the deal are being promised a net dividend equivalent to 8.8p net compared with the 6p net paid by News International for last year.

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US Government postpones vital cash transfer to Chrysler

From Our United States Economics Correspondent
Washington, June 11

The United States Government has been forced to postpone making a vitally needed cash transfer to the ailing car company and the Chrysler Corporation has stopped paying some of its suppliers.

Chrysler's position is now desperate, but treasury officials are still optimistic that the nation's tenth largest manufacturing company will be saved from bankruptcy.

A treasury spokesman said that there are still several banks which are refusing to agree to a debt restructuring and that agreement by them is necessary before the Government can guarantee $500m (£214m) of notes for the car company.

On May 10 the government's Chrysler Loan Board agreed to provide the company with up up to $1,500m (£640m) of guaranteed loans with an initial sum of $500m to be paid as soon as possible.

A condition was that Chrysler first secured agreement from more than 300 banks for a restructuring of $1,868m (£800m) in long and short-term loans.

The treasury spokesman said that the government had hoped to provide funds to Chrysler by June 13 at the latest, but this will not be possible now.

He said that "there were six or seven hold-out banks" and added that "an important impediment to providing the funds was that a great deal of documentation must still be completed."

Chrysler refused to say how critical the situation is or elaborate on a brief statement saying that it expects the first $500m of the government's guaranteed loans.

"Within the next few days" and that is is "temporarily delaying payments due to suppliers to conserve cash" until it receives the government's finance.

Treasury officials said bankers met government officials about 10 days ago and at that time there were still about 20 banks which were refusing to agree to the loan restructuring. Now the number is down to six or seven and hopes are high that "we can close this deal this month".

These last few banks have been a thorn in Chrysler's side for some time. They include the Deutsche Genossenschaftsbank of Frankfurt, which according to treasury officials, impounded about $8m (£3.5m) of funds due to Chrysler about three weeks ago.

This bank was transferring funds from dealers to Chrysler, but decided to hold on to the cash as security for loans that it had extended to Chrysler.

American and some European banks are furious at the attitude of the Deutsche Genossenschaftsbank and tense discussions with this institution have been continuing

It appears the German bank is not going to hand over the cash and agree to the loan restructuring until it is satisfied that Chrysler will indeed receive the United States Government guarantees.

So the other banks who are holding out may first have to come into line. One of these is the Banque Bruxelles Lambert which has sued Chrysler for recovery of some $10m (£4.2m) in unrepaid loans.

A few small United States banks have together filled suits for about $3.7m (£1.5m) of unrepaid loans.

The legal disputes with these few banks are taking time to resolve and for all the Treasury's optimism the Chrysler decision on non-payment of suppliers looks much like desperation. The fact that no meeting has yet been scheduled for the Chrysler Loan Board to review progress is also discouraging.

Asked how one should interpret Chrysler's comment that it expects to receive the government funding within the next few days, a treasury official replied that a few days can be a long time".

The loan restructuring with the banks is complicated. For the bulk of the loans Chrysler has offered to pay an aggregate interest rate of 15 per cent consisting of cash interest of 5.5 per cent, deferrals of 7 per cent and "forgiveness" of 2.5 per cent.

Lenders will receive interest-bearing notes for the deferred interest with payment starting in 1984. In return for these concessions the lending banks will receive warrants to buy 12 million Chrysler shares.

Some of the banks have already agreed to exchange $750m (£320m) of the deferred interest notes for new preferred stock, subject to Chrysler's future car sales.

Liberian ship taxes to be trebled

By Michael Baily
Shipping Correspondent

Liberia is to treble its tonnage tax from 10 cents to 30 cents a ton shortly in a defiant gesture against rumours of large scale desertions from its flag by world shipowners since Sergeant Doe came to power in the country.

In London, Mr Gerald Cooper, the maritime commissioner, gave further reassurance to nervous shipowners that Liberia's shipping programme would go on exactly as before—same policies, same facilities, same personnel.

He discounted rumours that shipowners, particularly Greeks, were abandoning Liberian registrations in large numbers, and declared that only six of 2,400 ships had left in April and May, some for scrapping. But the new government was guaranteeing shipowners freedom to change to other flags if they wanted to.

At $13m last year (possibly rising to more than $20m with the higher tax), shipping is Liberia's biggest earner of foreign exchange. "The importance of maritime revenue is so great to the present government in carrying out its programme that there is no intention to tamper with the goose that lays the golden eggs", Mr Cooper said. He was not concerned about competition from Panama, which specialized in one-ship companies compared with Liberia's big fleets.

First sterling bond issue by Japanese company

By Ronald Pullen

A further test of the British investor's appetite for overseas investment will come in the next day or so when a major Japanese company is expected t olaunch a sterling convertible bond issue.

This will be the first issue of this kind in the sterling market. The forrower is the Daiei stores group which is raising £25m and the coupon is expected to be 9 per cent, some 5 points cheaper than it would have to pay in the straight Eurosterling market.

Bankers to the issue are Morgan Grenfell, which recently broke new ground in the sterling capital market with the issue of the first Eurosterling floating rate note for Scandinavian Bank.

The timing of the issue has been made to coincide with increasing United Kingdom institutional interest in the Japanese stock market in recent weeks, and a further strengthening of the yen after the drop in dollar interest rates.

Such issues have become commonplace in other currencies likethe Deutschemark and the Swis franc, although in the later currency they have usually taken the form of private placements.

The Japanese authorities have to give their permission to borrowers to make such issues, but last year the volume of new issues in the Deutschemark and Swiss franc in particular was so strong that there was considerable indigestion in the market.

Such issues, however, are only attractive to investors when currencies are moving in the right direction, and their success depends largely on the outlook for Japanese equities since the right to convert into a straight equity holding after a period of time will become worthwhile only when the shares have risen.

Japanese borrowers are apparently wary of using the sterling market because many see the strength of sterling continuing for sime time while the rate at which they have to borrow in London is still some 3 points higher than in other capital markets.

Takeover panel fails to force St Piran bid

By Michael Prest

The Takevore Panel says it has been unable to force the members of an alleged concert party to bid for the 63 per cent of St Piran, the controversial mining and property company, that it does not already control.

But the panel is strongly critical of the alleged concert party's behaviour in a judgement on St Piran's affairs released yesterday. It describes Mr James Raper, the Far East financier who the panel believes to be at the centre of a complex weg of companies, as "unfit to be a director of a public company".

The panel also says that if no action is taken to meet the obligation to bid under rule 34 of the Takeover Code it will recommend to the Stock Exchange that St Piran's shares, suspended at 63p on May 20, should remain suspended. The panel believes that "early implementation of an offer is improbable".

St Piran said last night that the panel's comment on Mr Raper was a "remarkably bald and extreme statement which cannot be helpful for shareholders generally".

St Piran though that Gasco Investments, a Hongkong company holding 29.6 per cent of St Piran and chaired by Mr Raper, was trying to raise finance for a bid.

But St Piran added: "It would be wrong of us to assume that Gasco will be successful in raising the finance".

The Takeover Panel said it had received no written evidence that the members of the alleged concert party, which include Aerolineas Cordoba, a Panamanian company, and Ruffec, a Luxembourg company, were trying to meet their obligations to bid. The bid price set by the panel is 85p a share, or about £7.8m.

Gasco repesentatives were asked by the panel whether they would undertake not to exercise their voting rights in St Piran. But Mr Malcolm Stone, chairman of St Piran and managing director of Gasco, said he would not advise the Gasco board to give such an undertaking.

The panel commented: "No doubt Mr Stone wil give consideration to his position as chairman of St Piran and to any conflict to which this gives rise."

Members of the alleged concert party have been directed by the panel not to carry out any transactions in St Piran shares until the obligation to bid it met.

But the panel appears willing to accept a bid from a single member of the party, whether an individual or a company, although it alleges they acted together in controlling St Piran.

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28p to 857p	Pilkingtons	8p to 208p	
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10p to 284p	Lee Cooper	8p to 183p	
6p to 477p	Middle Wits	10p to 430p	
31p to 627p	Moss Bros	20p to 230p	
7p to 112p	Spear J. W.	8p to 125p	
5p to 665p	Weeks Petrol	10p to 475p	

THE POUND

Bank buys	Bank sells		Bank buys	Bank sells
2.09	2.02	Norway Kr	11.66	11.16
30.45	28.75	Portugal Esc	116.00	110.00
69.00	65.50	South African Rd	2.14	2.00
2.71	2.64	Spain Pta	164.50	157.50
13.17	12.62	Sweden Kr	10.03	9.58
5.30	5.40	Switzerland Fr	3.95	3.73
9.85	9.45	USA $	2.38	2.32
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Rates for small denomination bank notes only, as supplied yesterday by Barclays Bank International Ltd. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business.

Japanese business takes action against manipulation of meetings

Attempt to rub out the shareholder gangsters

More than 1,000 of Japan's leading business housese have formed an organization to oppose the "sokaiya", a unique group of gangsters who demand exorbitant sums to control or disrupt shareholders' meetings.

The sokaiya, literally translated as "stockholder meeting manipulator", usually obtain a nominal number of shares in major companies to gain access to shareholder meetings. For a sum they will control the meeting and shout down any awkward questions. If the companies refuse to pay, the sokaiya will disrupt the next shareholders' meeting with shouting and awkward questions.

Police estimate that more than 1,700 companies listed on the Tokyo, Osaka and Nagoya stock exchanges paid out an estimated £250m in fees to the sokaiya last year.

But big business has declared enough is enough. Meeting in Tokyo, representatives of more than 1,000 business concerns declared war on the sokaia, asserting that they would no longer pay the gangsters to silence vociferous shareholders.

The police claim that an estimated 5,500 sokaiya were operating in Japan last year.

Mr Juichi Hirai, the Tokyo police's crime division chief, said the police will support big business and keep the sokaiya out of stockholder meetings in future.

But many business leaders expressed doubts as to whether the police could legally bar a shareholder from a meeting. "If the sokaiya obtain a nominal number of shares in the company we cannot stop them from entering a meeting. We are still trapped in this vicious circle", Mr Ichio Watanabe, a Tokyo banker said.

The temptation to pay these strongarm shareholders a sum to control questions from inquisitive shareholders is tremendous, businessmen claim.

If the sokaiya are hired by businessmen they will often surround a vociferous shareholder and bustle him out of the meeting hall.

In other cases the gangsters will line up in front of the company chairman to shout "Igi nashi" ("No objection") or "Sansei, sansei" ("approved, approved"). In recent years many shareholders' meetings have closed after five minutes without a single question.

A survey by the Daiwa securities company claims that most companies listed on Japan's stock markets reported that their shareholders' meetings ended within 30 minutes last year. Not a single question was asked at 90 per cent of the meetings.

The business representatives have formed a body called the "liaison council to shut out the sokaiya". The meeting included representatives of 523 companies listed on the first section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

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Japan steel chief rejects US complaints

A Japanese steel industry leader yesterday severely criticized his American counterparts for threatening to file anti-dumping suits. He complained that United States companies had been harassing Japanese steel makers and asserted that Japanese trading practices were "fair and consistent".

In a strongly-worded statement, Mr Hiroshi Takano, executive vice president of Nippon Kokan hit back at recent criticism by US Steel Corporation executives that Japan had been selling its steel products in America at unfairly low prices.

"It appears that foreign steel industries doing business in the United States are being singled out one by one by the American steel industry to be their whipping boys so that they can keep imports out and raise their price", he said.

US drinks code

From January 1983, American producers and importers of wine, beer and spirits must include ingredients on the label. But alternatively they can give the addresses of official bodies where the public can find out the ingredients. Any ingredient which has been stated officially to be a health risk must be indicated on the label. The moves were opposed by the trade.

Iranian connexion

Court proceedings which resulted from Morgan Guaranty Trust's distraint order on Iran's 25.01 per cent stake in Fried. Krupp are still at a preliminary stage, but the good relationship established between Krupp and Iran will continue, Krupp's managing board chairman Herr Heinz Petry said.

Australian gold up

Australia's gold reserves last month totalled Aus $3,569m (£1,750m) against Aus $1,225m at the end of June 1978. During May official reserves rose by Aus $46m.

Drug mass production

A Japanese organization, Hayashibara Biological Chemical Research Institute is planning mass production of Interferon, a drug believed to help to fight cancer.

£261m for aircraft

Swissair said yesterday that it plans to increase its fleet by two DC-10-30s and four Boeing 747 Jumbo jets, requiring an outlay of around 1,000m Swiss francs (about £261m).

Italian arms deal

An Italian armaments company, Oto Melara is to supply the Royal Navy with "about 10" compact cannon in what is claimed to be the first British naval arms order in Italy since the First World War.

Scramble of discounts and bizarre offers overshadows list price rises

Car trade in turmoil as sales slump

The current scramble in the car trade to woo a shrinking number of buyers with discounts and increasingly bizarre special offers has tended to overshadow the new round of list price rises imposed by the major manufacturers and importers in the past two weeks.

While dealers' offers of free petrol, holidays and low interest rates on loans have captured the headlines, the manufacturers have been agonizing over how much of their continuing cost increases they can pass on to customers.

In the event, price increases of from 3 to 5 per cent are, in the judgment of the car makers, about the limit that the domestic market, now showing signs of a slump, can stand this summer. Most complain that the rises only partly offset big increases in raw material and component costs high interest rates and inflation.

Most of the chief contenders in the market have raised their prices, apart from one or two of the more significant importers, and the next round is not expected until the autumn. Trends in new car sales will be watched closely in the coming months and decisions on prices will not be made before the "W" registration letter comes in in August.

At the moment, the car trade is in turmoil. After an initial sales boom in the first quarter, the number of new cars sold in April and May fell by a third on a year earlier and the most optimistic forecast for the year is a market of 1.5m against 1.7m last year.

There are now an estimated 400,000 unsold new cars in stock in the country and the result must be an intensifying of the sales war. Discounting and the incidence of "knocking" advertising is almost certain to increase.

Against this background, and with few signs that the rate of inflation will decelerate, the car makers will be facing even more difficult pricing decisions towards the end of the year.

According to teh Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, if the market deteriorates significantly then price will make little difference to sales levels and manufacturers will feel more able to impose greater increases. If sales remain reasonably buoyant, however, then price will remain the dominant factor.

Price increases of the past two weeks include an average of 4 per cent by Ford (the fourth rise since last June) 4.2 per cent by ausball, 4.2 per cent by Talbot and 3 to 5 per cent by BL. Since the ending of price controls, car makers have been able to be more flexible in raising prices, loading the price of more successmodels than those, particularly the large thirstier cars, whose sales have declined.

The domestic industry is now waiting to see what the Japanese car importers will do in the prices front, particularly as the yen has strengthened in relation to the pound in recent months, and the United Kingdom importing companies will be paying more for the cars they buy from Japan. It is believed, for example, that Datsun UK, which controls about half of Japanese car sales in Britain, is considering a 10 per cent average price rise.

The SMMT view is that such rises would be good news. If the Japanese are going to be true to their "prudent" marketing policies in the United Kingdom, it is argued, then there is no point in stimulating sales with low prices and then being unable to supply the goods.

The latest Government index for car prices shows that they rose by 114.4 per cent between the middle of 1975 and March this year, although there are signs that the rate of increase is slowing. Excluding the increase in value added tax last summer, prices went up by about 15 per cent, several points below the rate of inflation.

Since the 1973-74 oil crisis, however, the cost of the family runabout has bounded by an unprecedented amount. In October, 1973, a Mini 1000 had a list price of £837, while today's price is £3,031, a rise of 262 per cent. Similarly, a Cortina 1300L two-door model cost £1,126 in January, 1974, and today's upgraded and improved car costs £4,080. In the same period, the retail price index has risen by about 163 per cent.

Edward Townsend

Unions seek benefits from Ford cost-saving

By Donald Macintyre and Edward Townsend

Ford union leaders yesterday made clear that long term cost-saving plans being drawn up by the company will need to be the subject of full consultation if they are to be implemented without resistance from the workforce.

At the same time they said that the rompany's desire to increase automation to sharpen Ford's competitive edge against the Japanese would increase union pressure to shorten the working week to save jobs.

It is on that issue that negotiations with the company have recently run into serious difficulties.

Union concern comes after the launching by Ford of a major new cost-saving exercise. The issue has been discussed widely within Ford's British plants, and includes greater use of robots, rationalization of craft grades and greater use of supervisors in production.

A company spokesman said yesterday: "There is no way we can match the Japanese but we can narrow the gap. Our plans will mean fewer jobs, but it is that or no jobs at all."

Mr Eric Bone, national officer of the Transport and General Workers' Union, the biggest of the unions representing Ford's 59,000 manual workers, said: "Of course we see the need for Ford like other motor companies to keep pace with the times. But we are determined to see that moves whihc could spell the loss of jobs are compensated for by a shortening of working time."

Mr Gavin Laird, senior executive member of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers, said: "We are not against modernization but we shall insist that we are consulted on any specific proposals."

Mr Laird found suggestions that Ford were inhibited from further investment in Britain by restrictive union practices "surprising".

Japanese team finds Britain a leading place for investment

From Ross Davies

Tokyo, June 11

Britain is a much more promising investment prospect than was at first thought, and is now "one o fthe leading candidates in Europe for Japan's overseas investments", according to a report about to be published here.

The report, an account of an investment prospects mission composed of Japanese businessmen and officials who came to the United Kingdom during the national steel strike in March, has been drawn up by a group of Big Japanese companies and banks, the Japanese Overseas Enterprises Organization, in association with the Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI).

The mission was led by Mr Toshikazu Hashimoto, a former senior MITI official. Among its members were Mr Toshio Osawa, general manager, treasury division, Nippon Electric, Mr Susumu Satoh, general manager, trade and investment information office of the Bank of Tokyo, and Mr Shoji Ogasawara, a managing director of Alps Electric.

Perhaps the biggest surprise of the report was the optimistic outlook for labour relations, "the prime concern of the mission". Labour-management relations "seemed actually to be in a generally better state than had been anticipated in Tokyo".

The report notes that workmen are "becoming increasingly conscious of the importance of the business performance of a company".

What gives most concern is "the plague of recurring strikes in the steel and other basic industries and the public sector".

From conversations with members of the mission, it appears that the answer is not to "inherit" either a workforce, or just as important, an existing management. It is better to start from scratch, and preferably in one of the "new" or non-basic industries.

"Labour issues," the report says, "are virtually non-existent in those companies which are newly-established in growth areas and which have not more than several hundred employees."

Wage levels, the introduction to the report concludes, are "by and large reasonable".

The mission was particularly impressed by the design of "new towns and industrial parks" as the nuclei of areas into which foreign enterprises are to be invited, and of their good links by road, rail and sea.

Prospective investors are warned that the welcome mat may wear thin if the new business is one that either creates competition with local companies or those that have excess production capacity.

A note of concern is struck over the impact of an oil-strengthened pound on export competitiveness. Nonetheless, the report adds, "the sure prospect of sustained supplies of various sources of energy in the midst of threatening world energy shortages may have to be counted as a major weapon to aid the British economy".

While the British economy has become "completely debilitated" and "lost confidence in its future growth", it could still be "sufficiently reinvigorated to grow".

In conclusion the report notes: "While some concerns or problematical points persist, the investment environment in the United Kingdom seems much better than was expected, and the United Kingdom may be regarded as one of the leading candidates in Europe for Japan's overseas investments."

The Japanese team visited the Republic of Ireland for three days before its British tour. Members were impressed with Ireland, both as a springboard into the EEC and, because of past Irish emigration, into the United States.

Mr M. Montague: need to anticipate demand.

Urgent need for more research in tourism

By Derek Harris

Not all England's resort towns—although they are the bedrock of domestic tourism—have an equally bright future and there was an urgent need for more research on the cost-benefits of tourism to local economies, Mr Michael Montague, chairman of the English Tourist Board (ETB), said yesterday.

The problem of research costs could be met by getting local centres of higher education interested in doing the job, he told the annual conference of the British Resorts Association in Southport.

Research was particularly needed to anticipate changes in tourist demand and to decide where improvements could be made in what was on offer to holidaymakers, Mr Montague went on.

Among surveys by the ETB it had been shown that at Eastbourne the net cost of local council spending to provide services and facilities could be equated with tourism spending of some £33m, a rate of return of 48 to 1.

Mr Montague gave warning that one-off research efforts were not enough and that annual surveillance was necessary.

Clothing industry wants encouragement of import substitution

By John Huxley

Companies should be required to publish details of imports as well as exports in their annual accounts, suggests a clothing industry working party.

A report published yesterday says that the Government should also consider extracting a public pledge from retailers that a certain proportion of their United Kingdom clothing sales would be supplied from home manufacturers.

The Clothing Economic Development Committee also urges the Government to consider introducing an equivalent to the Queen's award for exports in import substitution. It might be called the Prince Charles Award, the committee says.

The report* comes when the clothing industry has shed some 15,000 jobs in a year and is under increasing pressure from imports.

It suggests that in the four years to 1982 the value of imports will increase by 40 per cent. Over the same period, consumption will rise by only 6 per cent and exports by 18 per cent.

But the authors stress that much will depend on future economic performance and the effectiveness of the Multi-Fibre Arrangement, which regulates the world textile and clothing trade.

Earlie rthis yea rthe clothing working part, chaired by Mr Basil Feldman, criticized the industry for being largely responsible for its labour supply problems.

In the present report, the emphasis is on government encouragement of retailers to substitute British goods for imports, which now account for more than 20 per cent of clothing sold in the United Kingdom.

The authors say that the Government must encourage a climate of opinion, reinforced by public recognition, of the need to reduce import dependence.

Ministers should consider, for example, making available credit and special cheap funding for British manufacturers to compete equally with overseas competitors. This could be on the lines of the French system in which loans are dependent on companies achieving a certain internal balance between direct imports and exports.

Some companies, such as Marks and Spencer, are already making clear in their advertising that a certain proportion of their wares are British-made.

The report says that the Government must also tackle the import problem by adopting "an absolutely firm stance" when renegotiating the Multi-Fibre Arrangement which expires at the end of next year.

Complaints also come from the working party that the banking community has failed to respond to previous recommendations that more account be taken of the specialized needs of clothing companies.

The industry is again taken to task; the report sets manufacturers a target of doubling export sales in terms of present prices by the mid-1980s. This would require at least a 28 per cent increase in real terms between 1978 and 1982.

Further improvements in productivity would be needed. The working party says that the number of garments made for every 100 people employed can be increased by a quarter in a year in many companies. It suggests that better use is made of the services of the Clothing Economic Development Company-inspired Clothing Industry Productivity Resources Agency.

Despite continuing industry scepticism about the agency, it has begun to report helping large gains in productivity

In one blouse-making company, an investment of £35,000 in capital equipment for the cutting room produced an annual saving of £49,000, equal to a payback of 37 weeks.

**Clothing 80 — Fight for Success*, NEDO Books, 1 Steel House, 11 Tothill Street, London SW1H 9LJ.

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Results for the First Quarter 1980 (unaudited)

	1980 1st Quarter £000's	1979 1st Quarter £000's
Sales to Third Parties	32,463	26,473
Trading Profit	4,083	3,485
Profit Before Taxation	3,275	2,970
Profit Before Tax per Share	7.5p	6.8p
Earnings per 25p Ordinary Share	4.8p	4.0p
Trading Margin	12.6%	13.2%

The Chairman comments:-

The first quarter was an uncertain opening to the year.

Apart from the United Kingdom steel strike, the imprint was more noticeable as the weeks passed of East European currency shortages, the downturn in the automotive and consumer sectors of the United States and United Kingdom together with Rowney customers reducing their stocks, and slow United Kingdom defence spending.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Skill shortages in electronics

From Mr M. H. Johnson

Sir, With considerable alarm tinged with some incredulity we learn from press reports that the Secretary of State for Industry, during his recent visit to the United States, was encouraging United States electronics companies to invest in this country by pointing out various advantages, including the availability of skilled labour.

Our incredulity will be well understood by readers of the NEDO report entitled "Computer Manpower in the 1980s" or of Kenneth Owen's review of it in your columns on June 10. This report was commissioned by the Manpower Subcommittee of the Electronic Computer Sector Working Party because serious shortages of computer-skilled manpower were suspected of imposing a major restraint on the growth of the United Kingdom computer industry and on the application of computers in industry and commerce generally. Members of the subcommittee were particularly concerned that these shortages would increasingly impede the implementation of computer and microprocessor applications essential to the future economic well-being of this country.

The facts now presented show that the problem is even more acute than had previously been assumed and entails "... serious shortages of 'engineering/systems/ software' type skills ... unlikely to be fully resolved in this century ...". In the foreword, the Director General of NEDO states: "... the consultants' conclusion is profoundly disturbing, an overwhelming constraint on the development and adoption of computer technology in the United Kingdom is a massive shortage of skilled manpower ...".

Since these skill shortages also exist elsewhere in the world, it is to be expected that United States electronics companies will seek to promote their own growth by taking advantage of skills wherever available and as employers to be attracted by salary levels lower than those in the United States. But it is important that we clearly recognize that such growth can be achie at the expense of ou digenous electronics and, because of the impact of electronic dustry generally, surely contribute to tinuing deindustriali this country.

We therefore u Government to rev policy of encouraging investment" in the e sector, if this is i formal policy, and to care to avoid the diss scarce skills on which, while they ma offer short-term a must be expected serious damage to pects of industrial Rather should they the fullest considerat implementation of likely to eliminate the ing skill shortages as possible.

Yours faithfully,
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A pensions warning

From Mr Peter Koch

Sir, The correspondence in your columns suggests that pensions are becoming an emotive issue. I cannot allow the advocacy by Mr Jones (June 6) for pay-as-you-go indexing without relating some recent history as a warning.

In 1975 the Royal Institute of Public Administration published a book, *Financing Public Sector Pensions*, in which a strong case was made for pay-as-you-go pension schemes as opposed to funded schemes. With reference to the teachers' scheme, which is funded, the book poked fun with the words: "The existence of the Teachers' Fund must assume that at a not too distant date society will have decided that the young no longer need to be educated or that children themselves have resolved finally and irrevocably that schools are not for them."

The possibility that children might decide not to be born did not occur to the author, though the same effect manifested itself soon afterwards. The decreasing number of teachers now employed must be very pleased that they did not change to a pay-as-you-go scheme which would have led to fewer and fewer supporting more and more.

Mr Jones, speaking on behalf of the Civil Service Unions, should beware lest the electorate vote for a decreasing number of civil servants, in which case they, too, would be grateful to be in a funded scheme.

With regard to the existing, as opposed to speculative, method of index-linking pensions, I agree with the definition of privilege given by Mr Bandey (June 6) and that those who have an index-linked pension are privileged. However, there is a difference between a large privilege and a small one and I would suggest that this privilege is not as great as Mr Bandey would have us believe.

Many private sector schemes do provide an annual increase in their pensions, albeit less than the current inflation rate and it is wrong to ignore this. Furthermore, all members of such schemes do receive a fully inflation-linked increase to that part of their pension known as the Guaranteed Minimum Pension (GMP) and this increase is paid by the state and not by the scheme. The difference between indexed-linked pension schemes and others is therefore not so great as is popularly believed.

Yours truly,
PETER KOCH,
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June 6.

From Mr Mark Anderson

Sir, There has been some mention on this page and elsewhere recently of the problems of index-linking salaries and pensions. "Inflation proofing itself significantly "fuels" inflation, if a large proportion of the population (eg, the Civil Service) is involved. This has a compound effect, for the heightened level of inflation in turn increases rises in salary, in turn increasing inflation by a proportionately larger amount, etc, etc.

Would it not be reasonable therefore, to replace complete index-linking with an index-related system, reducing the amount paid by a small percentage, to help compensate for the "fuelling" caused by a rise in pay? When the country cannot afford complete index-linking, is it merely political expediency which prevents this from happening, or is there some other reason?

Yours faithfully,
MARK ANDERSON,
The Castle,
Durham.
June 4.

Enterprise zone incentives

From Dr P. S. Johnson

Sir, The incentives which are apparently to be offered to firms operating in the proposed "enterprise zones" sound most attractive. Presumably, however, these incentives will now be reflected in higher prices and/or rents that firms will have to pay for property in these zones.

A government that believes in letting markets work has no doubt done some homework on the extent to which the planned benefits of these zones will be eroded by this rise in property values. It would be interesting to know what the government expects the *net* benefits to a firm setting up in this kind of area will be.

Your faithfully,
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Main UK tissue manufactur

From Mr C. Booth

Sir, Those "patriotic tissues and kitche who were reassure article yesterday th Tissues Limited wo 50 per cent British lowing the sale o Teape to Smith & Ne misled on two point

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Yours faithfully,
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Careers for graduates

From Mrs J. F. You

Sir, Education cuts heavily biased a graduates. Not onl authorities refusing uate grants, but it commercial enterpri cutting back.

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Yours faithfully,
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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

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Metal Box

Through one storm

The underlying picture at Metal Box is not as discouraging as in many parts of manufacturing industry at the moment but with little improvement expected in the dominant home market the group is increasingly dependent on what have turned out to be judicious overseas expansion moves of the late 1970s.

The steel strike has knocked a £13m hole in second half profits which slipped 5 per cent to £25.9m after a first half gain of a tenth to leave the full year just 3 per cent ahead at £59.8m pre-tax, after a sharp £7¼m rise in interest charges to £19.8m.

Still this was rather better than the market had been looking for and the shares continued their strong rise this week with a 10p gain to 282p, overcoming some disappointment with the one-tenth rise in the final dividend to 16.9p gross where the yield is a comfortable 10.3 per cent.

Last October's 12 per cent price rise would have repaired part of the damage to home margins seen in the first half when Metal Box, mindful that Continental Can is about to open its UK plant, decided to hold prices in the face of rising raw material costs.

Despite the high level of capital spending of £94m, Metal Box has got through the year with only a £24m rise in borrowings to £130m, half of which was increased working capital, and only a small deterioration in the gearing ratios although a current cost adjustment of £41.7m wipes out the after tax profits.

Long-term doubts about its traditional markets in the food industry are forcing the group to move further into high technology areas away from food and beverages and to date it is laying down a reasonable track record.

Hanson Trust

A reputation for flexibility

Hanson Trust likes to be thought of as an industrial management company. But whatever it is Hanson has failed to achieve the investment standing of Thomas Tilling or BTR even though internal growth (and several cash calls) have swept pre-tax profits from £2.4m to £31.2m between 1969-70 and 1978-79.

One problem (or advantage) is that Hanson has traditionally avoided fashionable sectors. Interests range from pork and fish through bricks and engineering to farm machinery, dependable businesses which if carried on competently, carry little in the way of risk from competitors with new products or processes.

In the half year to March pre-tax profits rose 29 per cent to £16.1m, earnings a share by nearly 29 per cent to 9p a share, and assets by 6 per cent to 126p.

It also looks as if the group will make profits of £38m for the year, spurred by last year's £17m cash call, a full contribution from Lindustries, and a record year from Butterley in bricks (bigger market share, low stocks, long order books).

The second, and recent, drag on the share rating has been the group's dollar orientation. Nearly half the £31.2m of profits arose in the United States.

The third brake is Hanson's size which makes it, other things being equal, harder and harder to find acquisitions that gear up earnings a share dramatically.

But recession produces opportunities for those who can exploit them and Hanso with debt of only 17 per cent to equity and £46m in cash is among them. The shares eased 3p to 157p yesterday but a prospective yield of more than 8 per cent is fair.

Economic notebook

Getting panicky over interest rates

It is not surprising that as the Government's economic policy begins to bite, industry wishes that it would not. The Conferation of British Industry, and the Government's worried backbenchers, have picked on the present record level of interest rates. But their criticism of the Government for refusing to bring down the cost of money sooner rather than later is in danger of missing the point.

Tuesday's figures for bank lending and government borrowing—two key elements in the money supply—should convince its critics that the Government is not being perverse in keeping minimum lending rate at 17 per cent. It is merely trying to ensure that its money targets are met.

It is true that ministers could have decided to let rates fall when the money figures looked better for a month or two—if they had been willing to contemplate raising them again as necessary.

But if a sustained fall in interest rates were under way then money growth would, almost certainly, be accelerating even further out of the Government's target range.

The suggestion that the Government has been irrational and unnecessarily harsh by holding up MLR, and that they have only to let it fall for the pain to go out of the policy, is quite misleading.

It ignores the central fact that the Government's policy of fighting inflation with a tight squeeze on the money supply entails high interest rates. Moreover, as inflation has risen over the last year, with the monetary targets left unchanged, so the Government's monetary policy has become even tighter.

A measure of its tightness is that nominal interest rates have had to rise sharply and stay high. Even so the Government has not yet managed to enforce the cut in the real money supply implied by a money target of 7-11 per cent with inflation roughly double that.

High interest rates are a by-product of the Government's anti-inflation policy, and one which will lessen as the recession deepens. They are just one element in the squeeze on companies which is fundamental to the Government's strategy to bring down inflation.

That squeeze will persist through falling profits and shrinking markets even after interest rates begin to fall, as they probably will, later this year. Indeed the drop in interest rates will signal the next stage of the move into recession as people and companies draw in their horns and cut their borrowing.

Magic

The Chancellor himself acknowledged last week that "a principal way of curbing the demand for money is by raising its price". However, he went on to repeat the mistaken claim that ministers hold a magic key to a world of cheap money.

The key is called a lower public sector borrowing requirement. If the public sector reduces its demand for credit then there will be more for the private sector, the argument goes. If there is less demand for money because of the reduction in the public sector demand, then the price of money — the level of interest rates—will fall. Unfortunately life is not that simple.

The connection between public borrowing and the money supply is a complex one. The effect on sterling M3 (the Government's targeted measure of money supply) and on interest rates, of changes in the Government's borrowing needs depends to a large extent on how and why those needs change.

Some research done on the Treasury model* shows, for example, that a cut in the PSBR through raising income tax has a smaller effect on the money supply than cutting public spending, and a bigger one than raising indirect taxes.

This is because if the Government cuts its borrowing by putting up prices then it is pushing up private demand for money while cutting its own, thus undermining the effect of the PSBR cut on the money supply and interest rates.

Inflation is a key influence on the demand for money, and on the level of interest rates. If rising prices mean that people need more money to finance the same level of spending and more money to keep the same level of working capital and stocks, then naturally they will try to get that extra money, and will pay higher interest rates if necessary.

Borrowing

The last year has demonstrated this clearly. The Government cut its borrowing last year, partly through a large rise in indirect taxes. Soaring inflation, caused in part by the higher indirect taxes, then helped to boost private sector demand for money. Higher inflation, with the Government still aiming for 7-11 per cent growth in the money supply, has led to persistently high interest rates, outweighing the effect of a lower PSBR.

The relation between the level of money incomes in the whole economy and the stock of money is a crucial determinant of interest rates.

Eventually Government borrowing cuts, through tax and spending policy, will feed through to the money supply and to interest rates. But they will do so by cutting real incomes and reducing demand in the economy, which in turn may lower wage settlements and inflation.

Meanwhile if inflation accelerates because of high wage settlements or dearer oil prices then interest rates are likely to rise for as long as the money stock remains constrained.

Of course there is also a big cyclical element in interest rate movements. At the moment bank lending to the private sector is still rising quite substantially. It is expected to begin falling sharply once industry has begun to run down stocks and cut back in anticipation of harder times to come. At the beginning of a recession, involuntary stock building—as companies do not sell as much as they expected to—pushes up demand for bank credit.

This Government has placed great stress on the need to cut its borrowing, and the belief that this would ensure lower money growth compatible with lower interest rates. But many of the measures which it has taken to curb its borrowing have not reduced its direct demand for goods and services, but have merely transferred costs to the private sector and thus been inflationary.

Higher nationalized industry prices, dearer prescription charges, increased council house rents, a near doubling of value added tax, all help to reduce the PSBR but not to bring down interest rates.

Increased taxes and lower public spending, along with the high exchange rate resulting mainly from tight money and high interest rates, will choke off private sector demand for credit at the cost of rising unemployment and falling output. They will probably also bring down the rate of inflation.

But in the words of the Governor of the Bank of England "there is no alternative to relatively high nominal rates of interest until the pace of inflation slackens".

Caroline Atkinson

*Paper presented to a conference on monetary targets at the City University, London in May 1979, to be published later.

Mr Belkacem Nabi, of Algeria (left), president of Opec, and Mr René Ortiz, the secretary-general, answering questions yesterday after the end of the end of the organization's meeting in Algiers.

First steps to an orderly oil market?

Nicholas Hirst reports from Algiers on the compromises reached at the Opec conference

Algiers

Some measure of restraint has at last returned to the members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries. The compromise finally agreed early yesterday is vague and is being interpreted in different ways by different ministers, but initially at least it has probably added not much more than $1 to the average price of a barrel of oil.

The increase pales into insignificance compared to the overall rise since this time last year of more than 100 per cent. Petrol prices which recently have seemed to go up almost weekly, should soon stabilize and the additional impact of the Agiers accord on the recession in the West shoud be so small as to be almost unnoticeable.

It may be that Opec has been forced into this new moderation by an impending glut of supplies. Nevertheless, it remains in its members' power to reduce production to a level where prices would be still higher and their revenues would not suffer.

The West is at the mercy of Saudi Arabia, which could, if it so wished, cut back its exports to a level which would cause untold economic damage. In the interests of world stability it does not do so, but the past 18 months of rises and Opec pricing militancy has shown just how fragile that stability is.

Prior to the revolution in Iran the West had begun to forget the lessons of the oil embargo and prices rises of 1973-74. Opec members had offered discounts to sell their crude; a complacency had developed over energy supplies. It seemed that, after all, 1973-74 was little different, as an energy crisis, to the shortages of the Suez invasion 20 years before.

America's imports of oil had continued to grow, reaching a peak in 1978 which topped Saudi Arabia's production, but the exploitation of the North Sea, the development of Alaska and increased exports by Mexico hid the fact of a continuing dependence on imported oil from the Middle East.

Saudi Arabia was expected to continue to increase its capacity, and even as the first strikes in the Iranian oil field developed, threatening to take away up to a tenth of Western supplies, oil companies and the International Energy Agency failed to predict a crisis.

Perhaps because of the complacency that had built up the events of the last 18 months have seemed so much more fundamental than those of seven years ago. Western leaders have now come to accept that economically and strategically the world will never be quite the same again.

The shortage created by the overthrow of the Shah gave Opec members the prices they needed to ensure that sufficient revenue could be received without ever having to increase their output above 1979 levels again. It is doubtful whether they would ever have had the political will to make sufficient cutbacks on their own.

Faced with the opportunity, however, it was firmly seized and is unlikely ever to be let go. Growth in the West will, in future, have to be achieved with less energy, or with other types of energy than oil. The record of the consuming nations since 1973 of cutting back on their use of energy in comparison with economic growth has been good.

Diplomatic initiatives by leaders at the Tokyo summit last year have been firmed up by the targets on oil imports and for reducing the amount of oil used as a primary energy source agreed by the energy ministers at the International Energy Agency.

But in the final analysis the IEA is little more than a talking shop. It produces useful statistics and carries on a constant programme of propaganda to cut energy use and dependence on oil. But it is individual nations which must take the necessary action. I neffect consumption can only be cut by price. In Britain the gas and electricity consumer has been hit, and North Sea oil, which could be offered cheaply, is charged at a rate which compares with the highest in Opec. In the United States President Carter's attempts to charge prices for energy which would lead to conservation, have led him into bitter political battles, with a legislature hwich still does not seem to have fully understood what has happened.

The Middle East, which supplies two-thirds of Opec output and 40 per cent of western oil needs, remains an area of tension. AyatoHah Khomeini has said Iran is fast reaching a stage where it will be ungovernable. Fighting in next door Afghanistan continues between insurgents and the occupying Russian troops.

Shaikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani, the Saudi Arabian oil minister, yseterday reiterated his country's views o nthe Palestinian question. Nothing short of an Israeli withdrawal from the West Bank would do.

The tentative attempts at an initiative on Palestine by the EEC has nothing overtly to do with oil, but with imports from the Middle East accounting for two-thirds of Europe's supplies, it must be a constant back ground factor.

Opec and particularly its Middle Eastern members have a shotgun pointed at the West, which would do as much damage if it blew up in their own hands as it would if it were fired in anger. So any sign of moderation is to be welcomed.

Spiralling prices create uncertainty and push the West to buy up more than it needs. As Shaikh Yamani said yesterday, the compromise agreed here is a first step to an orderly market. The next step will be taken by a special meeting in three months time which will prepare for the November Opec summit in Baghdad.

At the meeting heads of state will try to agree on automatic inflation adjusted system of adjusting oil prices in line with the West's economic growth. If that were agreed Opec's standing as a responsible actor on the world stage, could be immeasurably increased.

Business Diary: Corn and convention

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Chicago's Sears Tower: the view from the top is deceptive.

ance rather than the number of conventions booked each year, but coupled with other discouraging signs it all helps to foster business pessimism.

Anthony Trollope wrote in his book *North America* in 1861: "Chicago may be called the metropolis of American corn—the favourite city haunt of the American Ceres. The goddess sears herself there amidst the dust of her full barns, and proclaims herself a goddess ruling over things political and philosophical as well as agricultural."

The goddess has had a bad time of it lately. President Carter's action in embargoing grain sales to Russia so affected dealings on the commodity exchange, which fixes prices for the whole of the United States, that at one stage it was forced to halt business.

But that panic has at least blown over and grain sales have attained respectable levels, if not those which might have been expected had the embargo not been enacted.

Such swift solutions are not likely to be found in the United States steel industry which is heavily represented in Chicago and at Bethlehem nearby over the border in Indiana. Only last weekend 4,000 production employees at the United States Steel Corporation's South Works plant in Chicago were told that they would be laid off in the round of cuts which United States Steel has been introducing in the wake of recession in the car and construction sectors.

At the same time as the South Works lay-offs were announced, the national unemployment figures for May were released. Throughout the United States the unemployment rate rose from 7 to 7.3 per cent. In Illinois the rate increased from 7.4 to 7.9 per cent.

The state produces around a third of the gross national product of the nation, and Chicago's gross metropolitan product last year was $88,000m. So it is only fair to point out that any city of such size and importance may be certain to show signs of economic damage.

But it should also be remembered that Chicago carries with it daily the reminder that such damage affects more than company performance.

In 1979 the city's black unemployment rate fell below the national average for the first time since 1975 to stand at 10.2 per cent compared with 11.3 nationally. No one locally has any doubts about what has happened to those figures now.

One year ago Jane Byrne became mayor of the windy city and ended one of its most popular customs—patronage. In the words of one resident: "Now before a guy gets a job they ask him first if he knows anything about it".

This abrupt demise of the remains of the era of the late mayor Richard Daley has won Byrne the admiration of much of the city, if not its unswerving support. Graft and the gift of city positions to political allies were practices so deep-rooted that they had become accepted as almost normal practice by the populace. When one city official was found to be taking kick-backs a few years ago, both Democratic and Republican politicians rallied round publicly to defend his record of office.

The problems of Byrne's more open attitude of running Chicago can be seen from her stance over the presidential election. In the Daley days, what the mayor said went and those who disagreed kept their mouths shut. Byrne came out for her good friend Edward Kennedy in the present campaign and landed herself in a welter of public criticism from those who would never have spoken out had Daley still been around.

But there is no doubting that the mayor does possess a tough side. The looming prospect of municipal bankruptcy *à la* New York has been averted, and the city belt is being tightened to meet the needs of recession. When the fire fighters' union embarked on an illegal dispute recently their local leader found himself behind bars with a speed which delighted certain sectors of the city.

Byrne has kept her head above the dirty water with which the city is so often associated. Whether the public of Chicago would have preferred the tough and dirty days of Daley is debatable. The general consensus is that she had better keep her halo in place—patronage can work both ways and if Byrne finds herself in dire need of friends there would be few to turn to in Chicago at the moment.

Chicago has long been praised for a level of municipal support for the arts. In parks and city plazas during the summer a wide spectrum of musicel styles can be heard. In a move which sounds remarkably like events in Britain, the city is now turning to private enterprise to help pay for the entertainment which the city dwellers have come to take for granted. And, just like home, they are not meeting with as much success as they would like. Picasso donated a 50 foot 162 ton sculpture to the city in recognition of its backing for the arts. It now stands in Richard J. Daley Plaza. Given what has happened to Daley's governmental ideals, one hopes the siting is not too ominous.

David Hewson

FADS

The paint'n'paper people

Pre-tax profits up more than 53%

	1979 £	1978 £
Turnover	38,238,001	21,652,516
Pre-tax profit	2,982,941	1,933,483
Earnings per share	11.38p	5.98p

Highlights from the statement by the Chairman Mr. M. J. Stanley at the Annual General Meeting on 11th June 1980.

* We are acquiring the balance of the Morris and Blakey Wallpapers Limited shares.
* Business in the first months of 1980 was buoyant but in common with most other retailers we have found the volume of trade to have eased off during the last six weeks. Sales are up 31.8% over the corresponding period of the previous year. We are not unduly concerned at the recent easing of trade, as in previous years where we have "competed" with abnormally good weather we find that the purchase of decorating materials is only deferred.
* During 1980 we plan to open another 20 shops.

Malcolm Stanley, *Chairman*

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FINANCIAL NEWS

Stock markets

Swift recovery surprises dealers

After a cautious start, in the wake of Tuesday's banking figures, equities raced ahead again yesterday.

Dealers admitted surprise at the latest surge in prices, having braced themselves for further selling after all hopes of an immediate cut in MLR had been dashed. In addition, they had expected speculators to square up their books with only three days of the account left.

But in the event, the initial mark-down in prices brought in buyers at the lower levels looking for bargains and accompanied by one or two special situations. This in turn provided another hair-raising day for jobbers, who have been generally short of stock for close on a fortnight.

So prices tended to bare a slightly exaggerated look, compared with the level of turnover, and this was clearly reflected in the *FT* Index, which closed at its high point for the day 6.6 up at 446.9.

Company announcements and speculative situations again provided for one or two bright spots, with Marshall Cavendish a case in point. As soon as trading resumed in the morning, the market was again treated to the spectacle of another market raid by brokers Rowe & Pitman, the flying squad of the Stock Market.

They picked up between 25 per cent and 30 per cent of the equity in publishers Marshall Cavendish at 25p a share, on behalf of their clients Singapore-based Times Publishing. That done the shares immediately retreated 2p to 23p a net gain on the day of 6p.

The debut of SW Consolidated Minerals was a different story, with the share price tumbling 6p below the offer price at 44p, before recovering slightly to 47p. Brokers to the issue, Rowe Rudd, reported over two million shares had been sold by the close as the stags desperately tried to cut their losses. This also left the parent company, Dundonian, 5p lower at 69p.

Kitchen Queen, which dipped to a new low of 6p on Tuesday, recovered to 9p yesterday as the market awaited an imminent statement from the group on the £2.1m sale of its 47 retail outlets to Mr Stephen Boler. If it goes through the sale will leave Kitchen Queen as a manufacturing and direct selling operation.

In gilts, the jobbers took a more cautious attitude, fearing further selling after yesterday's disappointing money supply news. Most felt that investors had made enough profit in recent weeks to risk selling at the lower levels. But this was not the case. Only small sellers were reported, although the lack of foreign customers kept prices depressed. In longs, early falls were soon erased to leave the majority of stocks unchanged on overnight levels, while in shorts the falls were limited to between £1/16 and £⅛.

Beechams was the main feature in a generally tight market rising to 138p before profit taking left them at 136p, a net rise of 4p on the day. Investors bought around 500,000 shares following confirmation of the group's latest round of price increases, ranging from 5 per cent to 20 per cent. Others to gain ground included Glaxo 4p to 208p, Unilever 5p to 451p and BAT's 10p to 253p. Rises of around 2p or 3p were noted in Fisons at 254p, Courtaulds at 67p and Dunlop at 71p. However, the rises were mostly the result of a shortage of stock rather than active interest.

One beneficiary of the strong pound is Tricoville. It imports more than 70 per cent of its clothing. Profits rose a quarter last year, a fifth in the latest half-year, and should go well past £1m for 1979-80. At 62p, the yield is only 5 per cent but probably six times covered.

Full-year figures from Metal Box came as a pleasant surprise to most of its market followers, who had been expecting a static profits performance. But the improved profits and statement on metal imports saw the share price muster a 10p rise at 282p. Good performances also saw Nottingham Brick jump by a similar amount to 185p, US & General Trust 4p to 198p, Continuous Stationery 10p to 52p and 600 Group 4½p to 59¾. But the higher profits and dividend from Hanson Trust left the market cold and the shares slipped 3p to 157p as did Tern Consulate 3p to 49p, and J. W. Spear 8p to 125p also after poor figures.

Still reflecting recent profit performances, Caffyns lost another 5p at 118p, after 115p, along with International Timber, 1p lower at 110p. But in drinks, Grand Met put on 2p to 144p and Allied 2½p to 84p.

Speculative interest was drawn to De La Rue, up 15p at 680p, and Portals 13p to 316p, both in a thin market. J. Fisher put on 3p at 178p and J. Beales added 4p to 25p. Charles Hill of Bristol, another speculative stock, expanded another 8p to 60p along with Lendu Rubber at 75p but profit taking clipped 20p from Moss Bros at 230p, amid fading bid hopes, while Lee Cooper shed 8p at 183p.

Properties had Land Secs dipping 2p to 312p while the new shares rose 10p to 52p as investigations into dealing got under way ahead of last week's announcement.

Equity turnover on June 10 was £120.985m (14,509 bargains). Active stocks yesterday, according to the Exchange Telegraph, were, Barclay Bank, Lasmo, RTZ, Imperial Continental Gas, ICI, Burmah, GKN, Unilever, National Westminster, Premier Oil, Beechams, GEC, Marks & Spencer, Allied Breweries and Boots.

Latest results

Company Int or Fin	Sales £m	Profits £m	Earnings per share	Div pence	Pay date	Year's total
Carroll Inds (I*)	65.8(54.1)	3.3(2.6)	5.8(4.7)	1.75(1.49)	7/7	—(—)
Churchbury (F)	—(—)	0.44(0.39)	14.5(11.7)	6.5(—)	—	9.0(6.7)
Contin Stationery (F)	3.5(2.7)	0.45(0.25)	8.79(4.7)	3.4(—)	5/8	4.3(2.8)
Geevor Tin (F)	4.7(4.3)	0.71(1.02)	18.93(31.44)	5.6(—)	25/7	8.4(8.7)
Hanson Trust (I)	365.8(345.1)	16.1(12.5)	9(7)	3.75(2.57)	23/7	—(—)
Metal Box (F)	1,122(923.0)	59.8(58.2)	47.8(57.3)	11.8(10.7)	25/7	20.3(18.09)
Nottingham Bricks (I)	2.28(1.01)	0.27(0.20)	—(—)	2.0(1.78)	15/8	—(—)
Rowlinson Constn	—(—)	0.06(0.05)	—(—)	0.42(—)	—	0.6(0.6)
600 Group (F)	191(198)	9.66(11.9)	19.2(12.6)	2.91(2.63)	1/8	5.25(4.67)
Tern-Consulate	6.9(5.0)	0.4(0.3)	16.5(11.3)	2(—)	28/7	4.0(3.6)

Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.428. Profits are shown pre-tax and earnings are net. * = Irish currency.

Raid on Marshall Cavendish for Singapore group

By Peter Wilson-Smith

Stockbrokers Rowe & Pitman carried out another controversial "dawn raids" yesterday, snapping up 5.5 million shares (equal to 27 per cent of the equity) in the Marshall Cavendish publishing house for Times Publishing Berhad of Singapore.

Market raids already are under urgent consideration, Mr Patrick Neill, the chairman of the Council for the Securities Industry, said last month. One aspect of the problem that has been brought to the attention of the committee studying the raids is the practice of selling short to the market raiders in the hope of buying the shares more cheaply when the desired stake has been acquired and the share price falls.

Mr Denis Milne, a senior partner in Rowe & Pitman, could not say whether this had happened yesterday, although he said that in the past he had heard "that it might have happened".

Before yesterday's raid an announcement was put out in the stock market saying that Rowe & Pitman ha dbeen instructed by Times Publishing Berhad to buy between 25 per cent and 30 per cent of Marshall Cacendish at 25p a share.

After the announcement Marshall Cavendish shares rose to 25p, before retreating to 21p. The previous night's closing price was 17p.

Times Publishing made clear in the announcement that it had no present intention of making any general offer for Marshall Cavendish's ordinary share capital and when it had achieved its holding it would withdraw from the market.

Marshall Cavendish was taken by surprise by the rapid share buying and Mr George Amy, the chairman, said he was "completely astonished". He went on to say that he was not very pleased about it.

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Times Publishing distributes Marshall Cavendish's part works in Hongkong and Singapore. It said yesterday that a closer association with Marshall Cavendish could produce commercial benefits for both parties and export opportunities could be developed.

Mr Amy reacted to this by saying that talk about export opportunities was a lot of nonsense and Times Publishing could have that kind of co-operation without any shareholding.

However, h e later met Mr Michael Gorman, the development controller for Times Publishing and the Straits Times Group with which it is closely associated. Mr Gorman said he spreciated Mr Amy's surprise, but said they had had a reasonable meeting which relaxed very quickly.

Disputes hold back profits at 600 Grou

By Our Financial Staff

Profits of the 600 Gro machines tools, engineer scrap processing concer from £11.9m to £9.55m tax in the year to March cause of disruptions ca the engineering dispute steel strike. These profits by more than £ an estimate which Si Wellings, chairman, d as very conservative.

The other bogeys United Kingdom manuf sector—high interest ra the strong pound—ha greatly affected 600 Gro sults.

Interest charges were cent lower at £1.60m. A the group spent £8¼m ing its range of machi at Colchester Lathe an Harrison, and on over pansion, the cash releas the sale of steel stoc Dunlop & Ranken has to cover this, and borrowings slightly do

The group has also to maintain profit ma exports, despite the sterling, and has not k ness because of it. Gr ports were a little hig the previous year's £46

The fall in group from £198m to £191m reflects the Dunlop & sale, as well as the se the United Kingdom, overseas manufacturing tributi n companies ha well, as the rise in the tax charge from £76 £1.06m suggests.

The sharpest down profits came from the steel division. Slacke mand for scrap and strike reduced volume its in this capital-intens ness more than halv £2.27m to £1.03m.

The machine tool which exports three-f production, increase from £72.7m to £77 although demand held machine tool productio ed badly from the eng dispute and pre-tax pro £8.05m to £7.09m. De the last month has fall and action is bei to reduce costs.

The year's dividend raised by a tenth to 7.

Home Charm director leaves board

By Catherine Gunn

Mr Mervyn Fogel has resigned from the board of DIY group Home Charm after "a disagreement on general policy between him and the board".

The disagreement has been under discussion for a fortnight, Mr Seymour Saideman, the finance director, said yesterday. Home Charm's chairman and managing director is Mr Fogel's uncle, Mr Hyman Fogel.

Two-fifths of Mr Mervyn Fogel's 6.16 per cent stake in Home Charm have been placed with institutional holders by his broker. He is expected to cease to act as manager of the group's Texas Homecare division, but technically still works for the group. That position is "to be discussed", Mr Saideman said yesterday.

Briefly

Cardinal Investment Trust: Loan of $750,000 from Manufacturers Hanover Trust was repaid on June 9 out of the proceeds of a new five-year multi-currency facility arranged with same bank. For an initial period one year it has been drawn in the sum of $750,000 at an interest rate of 10¼ per cent. **United Capitals Investment Trust:** Liquidator is making first distribution in cash to shareholders of 20p per share on June 18.

Tolligate Holdings: Negotiations and discussions are taking place with a view to possible acquisition of total issued capital by Murray Roberts Holdings. Negotiations expected to be finalized by July 31. **United States and General Trust Corporation:** Interim 5.7p (4.28p) on account at 1980. The board intends to recommend a final of not less than 8p gross.

Linfood Holdings: Guinness Peat group has acquired 2m ordinary shares, taking its holding to 8.81m shares (20.02 per cent). **J. W. Spear & Sons:** Mr A. K. L. Stephenson is not the chairman, as inadvertently stated here. Mr F. A. Spear is the chairman.

Walter Lawrence: chairman told shareholders at annual meeting that most of profits in current year will fall into second half and overall results should not prove unacceptable.

Geevor Tin Mines: Turnover year to March 31, £4.67m (£4.29m). Pretax profit £714,000 (£1.02m). EPS 18.93p (31.44p). Dividend 12p (12.4p).

Churchbury Estates: Total income year to March 31 £720,500 (£599,000). Pretax profit, £438,500 (£390,500). EPS 14.569p (11.697p). Dividend 12.8 (9.6p). In light of current earnings board expects that dividends to be increased for current year.

W. H. Smith's chairman says current year is a challenging one for group and interim results are likely to be below those of last year. Overall, board hopes that actions being taken will bring an improvement towards end of year.

A new gold mine, costing perhaps R320m (£178m) in constant prices, is to be started by General Mining Union Corporation, newly-merged South African company. Company's Beatrix mine is applying for a mining lease in the District of Theunissen, in Orange Free State, close to Welkom. Prospective mine should have a life of 20 years, but uranium extraction is not regarded as economic.

Fisons has reached agreement with two regional pharmaceutical wholesalers, Butlers of Leicester and Daniels of Derby purchase major part of business of Charnwood Pharmaceuticals, effective from April 1, 1980.

Northern Engineering: chairman says group made a good start to year, and performance for year to date continues to show an encouraging trend.

House of Fraser shareholders face more conflicting reading today as Lonrho and Fraser board send out their last circulars canvassing for votes at annual meeting of stores group on June 19. Fraser says to abstain is to vote for Lonrho. Lonrho criticizes Fraser board for missing chance to buy an unnamed "valuable English company" for around £13m which is now worth much more.

Bamfords statement expected

By Philip Robinson

Collapsed agricultural machinery group Bamfords is expected to issue a statement this week which will cover, among other points, why no mention of the winding up petition against the company was made at a board meeting on May 29, despite it being lodged with the High Court on May 23.

The statement follows a private informal meeting of leading Bamfords creditors on Tuesday at the London office of Hambros Bank. Both Hambros and accountant Arthur Young McClelland Moors were at the board meeting and admitted they knew nothing of the winding up petition issued by Gardner Steel, a creditor for £50,802.

Mr Stephen Adamson, of Arthur Young, said last night that there was strong opposition at the creditors' meeting to the winding up petition and if it was not withdrawn it would be opposed by other creditors on June 30, the date for the High Court hearing.

It is understood that informal approaches are to be made to Gardner to try to get the petition withdrawn.

The move would also allow the "hiving down" of a major part of Bamfords assets to a new subsidiary, Forlink, to go ahead.

Cowie presents case to Stock Exchange

The debate over whether George Ewer should be allowed to issue 2.6m more shares for its acquisition of Eastern Tractors continued yesterday with T. Cowie, which is bidding for Ewer, making its case against the listing to the Stock Exchange.

Further meetings are to take place today between Cowie's financial adviser, Samuel Montagu and the Stock Exchange.

In the meantime Ewer associates continued to buy Ewer shares in the market at levels above T. Cowie's offer price of 52p. This meant that Ewer's share price closed at 55p, 2p up, and T. Cowie's dipped 1p to 35p.

T. Cowie is still receiving a trickle of acceptances for its offer and now holds 48 per cent of the diluted Ewer shares. Yesterday Mr Tom Cowie said that there was no need to increase his offer at the moment.

The next closing date for the offer is June 25.

"I would love to give the Ewer shareholders the extra 2½p a share that I have suggested the group is worth without the Tractors acquisition, but m yhands are tied until the Stock Exchange makes a decision and, as yet, no smoke has emerged from the Vatican", Mr Cowie said.

The Ewer bid for Eastern Tractors was launched two weeks before Cowie made its move for Ewer.

SE nominations close

By Philip Robinson

Nominations to the 46-member Stock Exchange Council closed last night without a hint of a contest.

Three council members have indicated they will retire at the Council's annual meeting on June 24 and three nominations to fill their places were received by 3.30 pm yesterday.

The three new council members will be: Mr Cecil Ralph Edwards of stockbrokers Grieveson, Grant who was elected a member in 1961; Mr Graham Kennedy of James Capel, a member since 1974, and Mr Ian Slater of Strauss Turnbull, elected a stock exchange member in 1970.

The Stock xchange CSouncil, responsible for the self-regulation of securities dealing, a highly coverted power of the City, faces a tough four years.

It is still fighting the Office of Fair Trading reference of its SE Rule book to the Restrictive Practices Court

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Nat Westminster	..
Rossminster	.....
TSB	.....
Williams and Glyn's	

*7 day deposit on s £10,000 and under 16 to £25,000 18¼%. £25,000 18¾%.

It is vital to the future of

HOUSE OF FRASER LIMITED

that ALL shareholders should use their vote to back their Board at the Annual General Meeting to be held on 19th June 1980.

Shareholders should **post** their blue **proxy forms** –completed in the manner shown– **immediately** and no later than tomorrow.

If ever there was a time for prudence and sound principles of management, it is now.

A vote not used is effectively a vote for Lonrho.

International

Swedish bond flotation

The Kingdom of Sweden is floating a 10-year adjustable 11.5 per cent domestic bond at par, a National Debt Office official said.

The issue, which goes on sale from June 13 to June 18, is for an open-ended amount.

The coupon can be adjusted after five years in accordance with changes of at least ½ per cent in long-term bond rates, whereas previously changes of at least one point were required before a coupon could be adjusted, he added.

Krupp turnround

Fried. Krupp, the diversified West German industrial group, has reported consolidated net profits of DM64m (£16m) for 1979, against a loss of DM19m in 1978.

Domestic sales rose 6.3 per cent to DM11,700m last year from DM10,900m. World turnover climbed 7.4 per cent to DM12,800m from DM11,900m, but Krupp did not publish worldwide profits.

In the first five months of 1980 Krupp sales were up 8 per cent from the year-earlier five-month period.

Orient rights issue

Orient Overseas Container (Holdings) said yesterday it was making a one-for-six rights issue at HK$2.55 a share.

The company said books would close to record the rights between June 21 and 28 and the payment date would be July 28.

Alfa-Romeo losses

Alfa-Romeo yesterday reported group losses of 54,900m lire (£27m) in 1979, against losses of 83,800m lire in 1978.

The state-owned company said its losses were expected to be covered by state holding companies IRI and Finmeccanica, Alfa-Romeo's main shareholders.

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The Over-the-Counter Market

1979/80 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div (p)	Yld %
99	59	Airsprung Group	64	+1	6.7	10.5
50	26	Armitage & Rhodes	30	−1	3.8	12.7
285	185	Bardon Hill	278	−3	13.8	5.0
100	78	County Cars Pref	78	—	15.3	19.6
101	63	Deborah Ord	92	—	5.0	5.4
125	88	Frank Horsell	117	—	7.9	6.7
129	90	Frederick Parker	90	−1	12.8	14.2
156	102	George Blair	102	−1	16.5	16.2
75	45	Jackson Group	72xd	+1	6.0	8.3
153	103	James Burrough	104	+1	7.2	6.9
300	242	Robert Jenkins	300	—	31.3	10.4
232	175	Torday Limited	217xd	—	15.1	7.0
34	11½	Twinlock Ord	14	—	0.8	6.0
80	70	Twinlock 12% ULS	76	—	12.0	15.8
56	23	Unilock Holdings	49	—	2.6	5.3
50	45	Unilock Holdings New	45	—	—	—
99	42	Walter Alexander	93	—	4.4	4.7
212	136	W. S. Yeates	212	—	12.1	5.7

*Accounts prepared under provision of SSAP15.

Business appointments

Executives named for six new Grand Met divisions

After the appointment of Mr Stanley Grinstead as deputy chairman and group managing director, Grand Metropolitan is to be divided into six operating divisions, each headed by a chief executive. These will be: Hotels & Catering, Mr J. Travers Clarke; Milk & Foods, Mr A. R. Good; Brewing & Retailing, M. A. J. G. Sheppard: Wines & Spirits, Mr A. J. Tennant; Leisure, Mr I. R. Gibbons; The Liggett Group, Mr R. J. Mulligan. Mr I. R. Gibbons has joined the board of Grand Metropolitan, from which Mr Derek Taylor and Mr Geoffrey Palau have agreed to resign. Mr Taylor has been made assistant chief executive of the enlarged Hotels and Catering Division and Mr Palau, who retires on March 31, 1981, will progressively relinquish his responsibilities as deputy chairman of IDV. Mr Dennis Dickinson, group company secretary, will take over Mr Grinstead's previous responsibilities as chairman of the Grand Metropolitan Pension Funds.

Mr Bill Boulton, Mr Brian Howes and Mr David Northcroft have joined the board of Kimberly-Clark.

Mr Christopher Dicks has been made chairman of the Press Association.

Mr Patrick Cox is now executive vice-chairman of Radio Luxembourg (London).

Mr L. F. Hill has been appointed a director of HAT Group.

Lord Pritchard, Mr Adam Bergus and Mr Anthony Mason are not to seek re-election to the board of Allied Breweries.

Mr John Champness has joined the board of Lowndes Lambert Group.

Mr C. Gillis has joined Concord Leasing as director, general manager and chief operating officer.

Monsieur P. Haas and Monsieur A. Autheman have been elected members of committee of the Ottoman Bank.

Mr N. Buckley is now marketing director of Renault Trucks & Buses.

Mr James Greally is appointed managing director of T. Bridger and Son, the discount stores subsidiary of Currys. Mr Richard Ford becomes marketing director of the newly formed Currys (Retail), the subsidiary company which will manage and operate all Currys retail shops.

Mr Tony Dignum and Mr Dick Andrews have become directors of Dixons Photographic (UK).

Mr Eric Green has become director and general manager of George E. Taylor. Mr Ronald G. E. Lewis has been made a director and commercial manager.

TRAVIS & ARNOI LIMITED

National distributors of timber, building ma plumbing and central heating equipment t construction and allied trades.

Extracts from the Chairman's statement, year ended December 31st 1979:

Pretax profits increased 50% to £7,249,000, including £236,000 in sale of properties. Sales of £97 million incr 32%, although £24m sales resulted from a full year's tra the Building Supplies Division acquired from Ellis & Ev Ltd. In 1978 sales of £9 million were included from this

Since the autumn, as a result of Government monetar the outlook for new construction has become progressi less encouraging. Private sector conditions which enco rapid house sales at improving margins have given way opposite. In the public sector, the drive to reduce Gover borrowing resulted in a substantial drop in public housi starts and a cut back in other major developments. Only repair and improvement sector seems likely to maintain improved volume levels. We can draw some satisfaction our increasing involvement here but we are unlikely to a some effect from the decline in new work. However we h first quarter result with sales and profits considerably ah the depressed first 3 months of 1979, and a long term economic strategy from the Government which holds ou promise of eventually defeating inflation. If this is achiev short term difficulties will be well worth

E. R. Travis
Chairman.

The full Directors Report and Accounts are available from: The Company Secretary, Travis & Arnold Ltd., Lodge Way House, Northampton

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MARKET REPORTS

Commodities

[illegible] eased barely steady.— Afternoon.— Cash wire bars, £840-842 a tonne; three months, £861-862. Cash cathodes, £818-819; three months, £841-843. Sales, 250 tonnes. Morning.—Cash wire bars, £843.00; three months, £863-63.50. Settlement, £843.00. Sales, 6,750 tons. Cathodes, £818-19.00; three months, £841-42.00. Settlement, £818.00. Sales, 1,200 tons.

[illegible] Afternoon.— Standard cash, £7,240-7,260 a tonne; three months, £7,276-7,280. Sales, 250 tonnes. High grade, cash, £7,240-7,260; three months, £7,310-7,340. Sales, nil. Morning.—Standard, cash, £7,270-80; three months, £7,280-90. Settlement, £7,255. Sales, 460 tonnes. High grade, cash, £7,270-90; three months, £7,320-40. Settlement, £7,290. Sales, Nil tonnes. Singapore tin ex-works, $M2,165 a picul.

[illegible] barely steady.— Afternoon.— Cash, £303-304.00 per tonne; three months, £310.50-311.00. Sales, [illegible]. Morning.—Cash, £306-[illegible]; three months, £313-13.50. Settlement, £306.00. Sales, 4,175 tonnes.

[illegible] steady, quiet.— Afternoon.— Cash, £293.00 per tonne; three months, £295-295.50. Sales, 525 tonnes. Morning.—Cash, £281-82.00; three months, £293-93.00. Settlement, £282.00. Sales, 3,400 tonnes. [illegible] was at £277.40 ($647.50) [illegible].

[illegible] firmer.—Bullion market [illegible].—Spot, 661.30p per troy ounce (United States cents equivalent, 1,546.00); three months, 681.30p (1,580.00c); six months, 700.[illegible]p (1,620.00c); one year, 740.[illegible]p (1,696.40c). London Metal Exchange.—Afternoon — Cash, 685-[illegible]p; three months, 715-714.0p. Sales, 4 lots of 10,000 troy ounces each. Morning.—Cash, 658-60.0p; three months, 685-86.0p. Settlement, 660p. Sales, 50 lots.

[illegible] was barely steady, quiet. Afternoon.—Cash, £710-712.00 per tonne; three months, £719-720. Sales, [illegible]. Morning.—Cash, £711-[illegible]; three months, £718-19.00. Settlement, £713.00. Sales, 2875 tonnes.

[illegible] closed easier.—Afternoon.— Cash, £2,650 per tonne; three months, £2735-2740. Sales, 198 tonnes. Morning.—Cash, £2675-85; three months, £2775-80. Settlement, £2680. Sales, 156 tonnes.

[illegible] easier yesterday (pence per kilo): July, 61.40-61.60; Aug, [illegible]; July-Sept, 62.40-62.60; Oct-Dec, 65.60-65.70; Jan-March, 68.[illegible]; April-June, 71.20-71.40; July-Sept, 73.80-74.00; Oct-Dec, [illegible]; Jan-March, 78.60-78.70. Sales: [illegible] at five tonnes and 161 at [illegible].

PHYSICALS were uncertain. Spot, 60.00-62.00. Cifs: July, [illegible]; Aug, 64.25-64.75.

ROBUSTAS (£ per tonne): July, 1,660-61; Sep, 1,710-20; Nov, [illegible]; Jan, 1,751-54; March, [illegible]; May, 1,705-10; July, 1,690-[illegible]. Sales: 4-164 lots, including 10 options.

Officials at 16.45: June, [illegible]; Aug, 211.00-13.00; Oct, [illegible]; Dec, 217.00-19.00; Feb, [illegible]; April, 204.00-13.00; June, [illegible]-13.00. Sales: 5 lots.

[illegible] slightly steadier (£ per tonne): July, 1,118-19; Sep, 1,17[illegible]; Dec, [illegible]-84; March, 1,227-28; May, [illegible]; July, 1,274-81; Sep, [illegible]. Sales: 3,077 lots.

London daily price of [illegible] unchanged at £285; the [illegible] price was unchanged at [illegible].

[illegible] (£ per tonne): New [illegible]: Aug, 355.50-36.00; [illegible], [illegible]5.00; Jan, 368.00-[illegible].50; [illegible], [illegible]0-77.50; May, 373.50-[illegible]; [illegible], 365.00-68.00; Oct, [illegible]. Sales: 4,384 lots. Old [illegible]: Aug, 344.75-45.75; [illegible]4.25. Sales: 6,608 lots. [illegible] June 10: daily, 27.99c; [illegible] 31.51c.

[illegible]MEAL was quiet (£ per tonne): [illegible], 98.00-99.50; Aug, [illegible]; Oct, 103.60-102.80; [illegible], 105.80; Feb, 108.60-[illegible]; [illegible], 109.50-112.00; June, [illegible]. Sales: 8 lots.

Crossbreds, No. 2 contract (per kilo) (steady): Aug, 370-374; Dec, 370-374; [illegible]; March, 377-379; May, 382-384; Oct, 382-386; [illegible]. Sales: 80 lots.

Baltic: — WHEAT.— [illegible] red spring, unquoted. [illegible] dark northern spring, No [illegible]: June, £92.25; July, £94.50; trans-shipment east coast sellers. United States hard winter, EEC and English feed, fob, were all unquoted.

MAIZE.—United States, French, both unquoted, South African white, unquoted, South African yellow, June-July, £77.00 seller.

BARLEY.—English feed, fob, unquoted. All per tonne cif United Kingdom unless stated.

London Grain Futures Market (Gafta) EEC origin.—BARLEY was steady.— Sept, £91.60; Nov, £95.50; Jan, £99.30; March, £102.55; May, £105.75. Sales, 105 lots. WHEAT was steady.—Sept, £94.70; Nov, £98.45; Jan, £102.40; March £105.75; May, £10[illegible].10. Sales, 135 lots.

Home-Grown Cereals Authority.— Location ex-farm spot prices:

	Other milling WHEAT	Feed WHEAT	Feed BARLEY
Eastern	£102.00	£100.00	£94.80
E. Mid.	£103.00	£101.75	£92.00
N. East	£105.00	—	£94.00
Scotland	—	£101.00	—

MEAT COMMISSION: Average fatstock prices at representative markets on June 11. GB: Cattle, 81.4p per kg lw (-2.00). UK: Sheep 147.40p per kg est dcw (-15.91). GB: Pigs, 65.15p per kg lw (-5.18). England and Wales: Cattle numbers down 0.6 per cent, average price, 81.33p (-2.18). Sheep numbers up 1.1 per cent, average price, 147.55p (-16.88). Pig numbers up 1.7 per cent, average price, 65.15p (-5.18). Scotland: Cattle numbers down 19.1 per cent, average price 81.79p (-1.10). Sheep numbers up 5.5 per cent, average price 146.63p (+10.73).

EGGS (The London Egg Exchange).— In home-produced: The market appears steady with most sizes in balance. In imported: No arrivals have been reported.

Home-produced market prices (in £ per 120, based on trading packer/first-hand):

Brown	Wed/Thur/Fri	Mon/Tues
1's	6.00 to 6.30	6.10 to 6.50
2's	5.10 to 5.30	5.10 to 5.30
3's	4.50 to 4.50	4.30 to 4.50
4's	3.80 to 3.90	3.80 to 3.90
White		
1's	5.10 to 5.30	5.10 to 5.20
2's	4.80 to 4.95	4.75 to 4.90
3's	4.30 to 4.40	4.30 to 4.40
4's	3.70 to 3.80	3.70 to 3.80
5's	3.00 to 3.20	3.00 to 3.20
6's	2.80 to 2.90	3.00 to 3.10
7's	2.40 to 2.70	2.50 to 2.70

All prices quoted are for bulk delivery in Keyes trays. The above range is a guide to general market conditions and is dependent upon location, quantity and whether delivered or not.

Cocoa experts estimate Ivory Coast lost $95m

Abidjan, June 11.—The Ivory Coast has lost an estimated $95m because of the failure of its "Cocoa Gamble", Western cocoa sources here said.

Traders said the Ivory Coast signed a contract on June 6 to sell 100,000 tonnes of cocoa at about 1,000 French francs per 100 kgs. Officials at the Caisse de Stabilisation (Cocoa Marketing Board) have repeatedly said they would not sell the stockpiled cocoa for less than 1,400 francs per 100 kgs, the sources said.

There has been no official comment from the Caisse since the sale.

Traders said the cocoa was sold to two European dealers, J. H. Rayner (Mincing Lane) of London and Tardivat International of Paris.

The sale of nearly one-third of the Ivory Coast's annual crop ended months of speculation over President Felix Houphouet-Boigny's decision last October to stockpile cocoa in an attempt to drive up prices.

Discount market

The credit situation appeared reasonably comfortable in the discount market all day yesterday. Nevertheless, the Bank of England gave help on a small scale by purchasing Treasury bills direct from the houses. From opening levels of about 16¼-½ per cent houses pulled their bids back to 16 per cent and thence gently down to 15½ per cent by midday, taking money steadily all the way down. Though the clearing banks looked somewhat uneven, there was money to be picked up from other sources and 8 per cent was plumbed during the afternoon.

Money Market Rates

Bank of England Minimum Lending Rate 17%
(Last changed 15/11/79)
Clearing Banks Base Rate 17%
Discount Mkt Loans %
Overnight: High 16½ Low 15
Week Fixed: 16½

Treasury Bills (Dis%): [illegible]

Prime Bank Bills (Dis%) / Trades (Dis%): [illegible]

Local Authority Bonds: [illegible]

Secondary Mkt. CD Rates (%): [illegible]

Local Authority Market (%): [illegible]

Interbank Market (%): [illegible]

First Class Finance Houses (Mkt. Rate %): [illegible]

Finance House Base Rate 17½%

Recent Issues

	Closing Price
Air Call 25p Ord (150)	160
Amstrad Cons Elect (85)	84½
Edwards L P 8% Cnv Pf (£1)	[illegible]
Exchequer 13¼% 1992 (£96)	[illegible]
Exchequer 13¼% 1994 (£40)	[illegible]
Hemerdon Mining 10p	[illegible]
Home Farm 10p Ord (55)	[illegible]
Leigh Int £1 10% Cnv (Pcr)	[illegible]
Mid Sthn Wt 10% Rd 1985 (£100)	[illegible]
Morley R H, 10p ord (90)	98
Oakwood 25p Ord (64)	[illegible]
Peerless 25p Ord (105)	[illegible]
Treasury 13¼% 04-08 (£95)	[illegible]
Trust of Prop Shares (10)	10

RIGHTS ISSUES	Latest date of renunc	
Elson (54)	Jun 11	3½ prem
Lloyds and Scot (124)	..	14 prem

Issue price in parentheses. * Ex dividend. † Issued by tender. ‡ Nil paid. a £10 paid. b £20 paid. c £20 paid. d Fully paid. g 50p paid. h £40 paid. k £40 paid.

Eurosyndicat

The Eurosyndicat Index on European share prices was put provisionally at 137.13 on June 10 against 135.82 a week earlier.

Foreign exchange report

Foreign exchange markets had a much quieter day all round yesterday with rates moving narrowly and with central banks not required to intervene. The pound took a firmer line from the outset, extending Tuesday's rally that followed banking figures which effectively put down speculation about an early reduction in United Kingdom interest rates.

Sterling ended with a rise of 15 points against the dollar at $2.3345, while the "effective" exchange rate index picked up from 73.5 to 73.7.

The dollar made up some of its recent losses against Continental currencies as a little profit-taking developed.

Sterling Spot and Forward

	Market rates (day's range) June 11	Market rates (close) June 11	1 month	3 months
New York	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Montreal	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Amsterdam	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Brussels	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Copenhagen	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Dublin	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Frankfurt	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Lisbon	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Madrid	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Milan	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Oslo	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Paris	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Stockholm	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Tokyo	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Vienna	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Zurich	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

Effective exchange rate compared to December 21, 1971, was 73.7 [illegible].

Sterling: Other Markets

Australia	2.016-2.031
Bahrain	[illegible]
Finland	[illegible]
Greece	[illegible]
Hong Kong	11.4720-11.4920
Iran	Not available
Kuwait	[illegible]
Malaysia	[illegible]
Mexico	[illegible]
New Zealand	[illegible]
Saudi Arabia	[illegible]
Singapore	[illegible]
South Africa	[illegible]

Dollar Spot Rates

*Ireland	2.1070-2.1085
Canada	1.1473-1.1476
Netherlands	[illegible]
Belgium	[illegible]
Denmark	[illegible]
West Germany	1.7812-1.7822
Portugal	[illegible]
Spain	[illegible]
Italy	[illegible]
Norway	[illegible]
France	[illegible]
Sweden	[illegible]
Japan	[illegible]
Austria	[illegible]
Switzerland	[illegible]

* Ireland quoted in US currency. † Canada $1 : US $0.8716-0.8719

EMS European Currency Rates

	ECU central rates	currency against ECU	% change from central rate	% change adjusted*	divergence limit % plus minus
Belgian franc	39.7897	40.2832	+1.18	0.24	1.53
Danish krone	7.7251	7.80175	+1.01	0.10	1.64
German D-mark	2.48208	2.51246	+1.22	0.21	1.135
French franc	5.78700	5.85737	+0.18	0.27	1.357
Dutch guilder	2.74362	2.75601	+0.47	-0.44	1.512
Irish punt	0.66830	0.673645	+1.11	0.20	1.665
Italian lira	1157.79	1186.22	+2.46	1.55	4.08

† changes are for the ECU therefore positive change denotes weak currency. * adjusted for sterling's weight in the ECU, and for the lira's wider divergence limits. Adjustment calculated by The Times.

Gold

Gold fixed, am, $[illegible] (an ounce); pm, $606; close $602. Krugerrand (per coin): $617-621 (£264-266). Sovereigns (new): $150-152 (£64-65).

Euro-$ Deposits

[illegible] calls, [illegible]; seven days, [illegible]; one month, [illegible]; three months, [illegible]; six months, [illegible].

Options

The liveliness in the equity market continued to filter through to options and produced 1,090 traded options contracts. BP was the centre of attention with 213, and Grand Metropolitan was close behind with 212. Of the two newcomers, Lonhro produced 52 but P & O saw no activity at all.

In traditional options, calls were produced in Lee Cooper, Highland Distillers, S. W. Consolidated Minerals, which had a disappointing stock market debut while puts were arranged in Attock and North Kalgurli.

Wall Street

New York, June 10.—Stocks finished the day with a gain, although they were unable to hold to their best levels.

Advances ran 970 to 541 over declines on the New York Stock Exchange while 412 issues held unchanged. The average price per share gained 24 cents.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which had gained nearly 6 points at one time, finished at 863.99, up 3.32. The NYSE composite index rose 0.49 to 65.43.

Volume climbed to 42,030,000 shares from Monday's 36,820,000.

Iran's Oil Minister said the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries' ministers' meeting in Algiers had agreed on a $32 a barrel price for oil. Iran's current price is $35 to $37 and Saudi Arabia's is $28. He said they agreed to cut production too.

Elsewhere in the news President Carter said he might take steps if unemployment continued to increase. He did not specify the steps but he pledged he would not take action that would refuel inflation.

United States retail sales in May, as expected, were down. The 1.5 per cent decline compared with a 2.3 per cent drop in April.

Energy issues responded well to the Opec news. Among the activities, volume leader Exxon rose 1¼ to 67½, Texaco ½ to 37¼, Standard Oil (Indiana) two to 57½, Mobil ⅝ to 77⅞, El Paso Co 1⅜ to 21⅞ and Gulf Oil ⅛ to 43⅛.

US commodities

New York, June 10. Gold at Comex closed at $593.75 an ounce, nearly $22 down on yesterday. June, $595.00-$596.50; July, $603.00; Aug, $608.50; Oct, $620.40; Dec, $632.70; Dec, $632.70; Feb, $644.80; April, $656.00; June, $669.00; Aug, $681.20; Oct, $693.40; Dec, $705.60; Feb, $717.30; April, $730.00.

CHICAGO IMM GOLD.—June, $660.30; July, Unq; Sept, $677.30; Oct, Unq; Dec, $694.60; Jan, Unq; March, $711.80.

SILVER at NY Comex closed down $1 limit on Commission House selling. The unrestricted spot June lost more than $3, trading briefly at a low of $14.60 an ounce before recovering to $15.45. June, 1530.00-1545.00c; July, 1665.00c; Aug, 1680.00c; Sept, 1695.00c; Dec, 1740.00c; Jan, 1755.00c; March, 1785.00c; May, 1815.00c; July, 1845.00c; Sept, 1875.00c; Dec, 1920.00c; Jan, 1935.00c; March, 1965.00c.

COPPER showed a continuing slippage and closed at 84.8c, down nearly 3 cents on yesterday. June, 84.00c; July, 84.20c-84.70c; Aug, 85.10c; Sep, 85.50c-85.80c; Dec, 87.70c-87.80c; Jan, 88.50c; March, 90.70c-90.80c; May, 91.50c; July, 93.00c; Sep, 93.10c; Dec, 96.78c; Jan, 97.50c; March, 99.00c.

COTTON.—July, 75.10-75.25c; Oct, 72.00c; Dec, 70.90-71.30c; March, 72.10c; May, 73.25-73.57c; July, 75.00-77.00c; Oct, 76.50-77.00c.

COCOA.—July, 111.25c; Sept, 112.75c; Dec, 126.35c; March, 126.00c; May, 126.65c.

COFFEE.—Futures closed with gains of 0.73 to 2.53 cents after dropping in the morning and advancing the 4.00 cent limit in the afternoon. Spot July was up 1.18 cent at 193.86 cents. July, 193.80c-193.25c; Sept, 200.35c-200.30c; Dec, 198.75c-199.00c; March, 191.30c-191.80c; May, 192.60c; July, 193.00-194.00c; Sept, 196.75c-197.00c.

SUGAR futures closed 0.03 to 0.61 cents higher on new trade buying and nervous short covering from commission houses. Spot July contact was down 0.09 cent at 29.97 cents a pound on continued switch selling and liquidation prior to its expiration on June 30. July, 29.80-30.10c; Sept, 31.80-32.00c; Oct, 32.90-33.00c; Jan, 33.00-34.00c; March, 34.70-35.00c; May, 34.30-34.50c; July, 33.70-33.90c; Sept, 33.00-33.10c; Oct, 32.95c.

CHICAGO SOYABEANS: July, 606½-619¼c; Aug, 635-628c; Sept, 641-636c; Nov, 656½-650½c; Jan, 671-666c; March, 686½-686c; May, 698-693c; July, 707-700c.

SOYABEAN OIL: July 21.49c-21.47c; Aug 21.74c-21.75c; Sep 21.16c; Oct 21.38c; Dec 22.68c-22.60c; Jan 22.65c; March 23.05c; May 23.35c; July 23.68c; Aug 23.68c-23.75c.

SOYABEAN MEAL: July, 170.30-170.80; Aug, 173.30; Sep, 176.00; Oct, 179.00-178.80; Dec, 182.90-183.00; Jan, 185.20-185.50; March, 189.30; May, 193.00-193.50; July, 197.20-197.50; Aug, unq.

CHICAGO GRAINS. — WHEAT.— Futures closed steady to barely steady. July, 401¼-395¼c; Sept, 415¼-409c; Dec, 432-426½c; March, 447-441½c; May, 455-449c; July, 459-455c.

MAIZE.—Futures were mixed. July, 276-274½c; Sept, 284¼-283¼c; Dec, 293½-291½c; March, 305½-303½c; May, 313½-311½c; July, 319½-317½c.

OATS were barely steady. July, 167½-163½c; Sept, 169-167½c; Dec, 175½-173½c; March, 181¼-180½c; May, 184½-184c.

Foreign exchange.—Sterling, spot, 2.3370 (2.3418); three months, 2.2857 (2.3045); Canadian dollar, 1.1481 (1.1507).

The Dow Jones spot commodity index was 425.47 (416.04). The futures index was 438.18 (435.77).

The Dow Jones averages.—Industrials, 864.081 (860.67); transportation, 278.09 (277.75); utilities, 111.91 (110.93); 65 stocks, 314.29 (313.04).

New York Stock Exchange index, 65.43 (64.94); industrials, 74.36 (74.00); transportation, 54.38 (54.07); utilities, 38.25 (38.00); financial, 65.15 (64.49).

Authorized Units, Insurance & Offshore Funds

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*Ex dividend. * Not available to the general public. † Guernsey gross yield. ‡ Previous day's price. a Ex all. e Dealings suspended. e Subdivided. f Cash value for £100 premium. g Ex bonus. h Estimated yield. k Yield before Jersey tax. p Periodic premium. s Single premium. Dealing or valuation days—(1) Monday. (2) Tuesday. (3) Wednesday. (4) Thursday. (5) Friday. (8) June 18. (9) June 17. (10) June 30. (14) July 1. (15) June 19. (16) June 23. (18) July 7. (20) 25th of month. (21) 2nd Thursday of month. (22) 1st and 3rd Wednesday of month. (23) 20th of month. (24) 3rd Tuesday of month. (25) 1st and 3rd Thursday of month. (26) 4th Thursday of month. (27) 1st Wednesday of month. (28) Last Thursday of month. (29) 3rd working day of month. (30) 16th of month. (31) 1st working day of month. (32) 20th of month. (33) 1st day of Feb, May, Aug, Nov. (34) Last working day of month. (35) 15th of month. (36) 14th of month. (37) 21st of each month. (38) 3rd Wednesday of month. (39) 2nd Wednesday of month. (40) valued monthly. (41) Last Thursday of Stock Exchange account.

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Stock Exchange Prices

Equities advance

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings Began, June 2. Dealings End, June 13. § Contango Day, June 16. Settlement Day, June 23

§ Forward bargains are permitted on two previous days

BRITISH FUNDS

1979/80 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only Yield	Gross Red. Yield
SHORTS						
103¾	97⅞	Exch 13¾ 1980	98¼	..	13.106	14.749
101¼	94¾	Treas 11¾ 1981	98⅞	..	11.660	13.961
93⅞	88¼	Treas 3¾ 1979-81	93½	..	2.741	13.798
98⅞	91¾	Treas 9¾ 1981	96⅞	..	10.068	13.858
102¼	98¼	Exch 8¾ 1981	95¼	..	8.661	13.407
94⅞	91	Exch 9¾ 1981	95⅞	..	9.265	13.746
91¾	84¼	Exch 3¾ 1981	91¼	..	3.271	10.559
105	95¾	Exch 12¾ 1981	98	-¼	13.010	14.372
96⅞	87½	Treas 8¾ 1980-82	93	..	9.140	13.533
89¼	82	Treas 5¾ 1982	88¼	..	3.381	10.480
108½	96¾	Treas 14¾ 1982	100	..	14.000	13.997
95⅞	85¼	Treas 8¾ 1982	91½	-¼	8.069	13.581
97⅞	89¼	Exch 9¾ 1983	91¾	-¼	10.144	13.856
95⅞	84½	Exch 8¾ 1983	90¼	-¼	9.703	13.390
86¼	76¾	Exch 3¾ 1983	81¼	..	1.870	11.607
104½	96⅞	Treas. 12¾ 1983	98⅞	-¼	12.564	13.982
97¼	89¾	Treas 9¾ 1983	89¾	-¼	10.378	13.687
98¾	84¼	Exch 12¾ 1983	95⅞	-¼	13.724	14.081
98⅞	85⅞	Exch 10¾ 1983	89¾	-¼	11.143	13.785
106¾	94½	Exch 14¾ 1984	99⅞	-¼	14.018	14.022
88½	78	Fund 6¾% 1982-84	81¾	..	6.759	12.030
97½	86¼	Exch 11¾% 1984	93¾	-¼	12.178	13.895
77¾	69¼	Exch 3¾ 1984	73¾	..	4.102	11.543
101¼	87¾	Treas 12¾ 1984	94¾	-¼	12.714	13.739
104½	98¼	Treas 15¾ 1985	103¾	-¼	14.511	13.984
MEDIUMS						
110	87¾	Exch 13¾% 1985	96	..	12.882	13.489
98¼	77¾	Treas 8¾% 1984-86	84¾	..	8.974	11.841
112¾	91¼	Exch 13¾% 1987	103¾	..	13.528	13.725
84¾	70½	Fund 6¾% 1985-87	77	-¼	8.826	11.861
88⅞	72¾	Treas 7¾% 1985-88	79¾	-¼	10.108	12.855
70¼	54½	Trans 7% 1975-85	68⅞	..	5.020	10.535
85⅞	63½	Treas 11¾% 1986	82	..	12.599	13.808
75¼	56¾	Treas 5% 1986-89	63¾	..	7.927	11.567
112¾	97¾	Treas 13¾ 1986	95¾	..	13.486	13.687
89⅞	69¼	Treas 8¾% 1987-90	75⅞	..	10.529	12.646
106⅞	80½	Treas 11¾% 1991	87¾	-¼	13.338	13.828
96⅞	77¾	Exch 11% 1991	86	-¼	13.169	13.917
72⅞	57½	Fund 5¾% 1987-91	63¾	-¼	9.270	12.143
112	87	Treas 12¾% 1992	97¾	-¼	13.765	14.058
94¾	74¾	Treas 9¾ 1992	81¼	..	12.725	13.780
107⅞	84¾	Exch 11¾% 1993	93	-¼	13.712	14.088
110⅞	83¾	Treas 12¾% 1993	96⅞	-¼	13.710	13.988
89¾	74¾	Fund 8% 1988	86¾	..	10.123	12.297
119½	90½	Treas 13¾% 1993	96¾	-¼	14.073	14.121
112	90½	Exch 14% 1994	105¾	..	14.286	14.229
109¼	85½	Exch 12¾% 1994	94¾	-¼	13.804	14.051
88½	68	Treas 9% 1994	74	-¼	12.271	13.167
LONGS						
106⅞	83¼	Treas 12% 1995	93¾	-¼	13.620	14.004
51¼	42	Gas 3% 1990-95	46¾	..	6.526	10.102
95⅞	73¼	Exch 10¼% 1995	81⅞	..	13.168	13.773
112⅞	88	Treas 13¾% 1995	93¾	-¼	13.807	13.953
107¼	94½	Treas 14% 1996	101¾	-¼	14.204	14.230
85⅞	67½	Treas 9% 1992-96	76¾	-¼	13.473	13.241
124	99	Treas 15¾% 1996	107⅞	..	14.597	14.250
116⅞	88¼	Exch 13¾% 1996	96⅞	-¼	13.938	14.028
50½	41⅞	Rdmptn 3% 1986-96	45¾	..	6.645	9.808
115⅞	88	Treas 13¾% 1997	100¼	..	13.939	14.021
95⅞	74¾	Exch 10½% 1997	82⅞	..	13.311	13.754
83⅞	65¼	Treas 8¾% 1997	73¾	..	12.456	13.143
68⅞	54½	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	60	..	11.402	12.505
122⅞	101	Treas 15¾% 1998	110¾	..	14.411	14.305
108⅞	81¼	Exch 12% 1998	88¼	..	13.700	13.568
102⅞	93½	Treas 14% 1998-01	100	..	14.120	14.113
88⅞	67½	Treas 9½% 1999	73¾	..	13.236	13.186
106⅞	82½	Exch 13¾% 1999	91¾	..	13.896	13.944
87¼	73½	Treas 10½% 1999	79¼	..	13.254	13.602
107¼	81¼	Exch 13% 2000-03	91½	..	13.808	13.921
118	91¾	Treas 13¾% 2000-03	103¼	-¼	14.034	14.044
97¼	78¾	Treas 11¾% 2001-04	87¾	-¼	13.623	13.720
42¾	32½	Fund 3¾% 1999-04	38⅞	..	9.415	10.952
113¼	94¼	Treas 12¾% 2003-05	93¾	..	13.731	13.707
75¼	58¾	Treas 5% 2003-06	65¾	-¼	13.434	13.733
97¼	80¼	Treas 11¾% 2003-07	90¾	-¼	13.619	13.684
94¼	73¾	Treas 9% 2008-12	83	-¼	13.816	13.802
73¼	61¼	Treas 7¾% 2012-15	64¾	-¼	13.514	12.626
106¼	81¼	Exch 13% 2013-17	90¼	-¼	13.264	13.273
58¼	28½	Consols 4%	32¾	..	12.980	..
36¾	27¼	War Ln 3½%	31¾	-¼	11.083	..
38¾	33¾	Conv 3½%	34½	..	10.241	..
27¼	21½	Treas 3%	23¾	..	13.011	..
34¾	19½	Consols 2½%	20½	..	12.106	..
22¾	17¼	Treas. 2½% Aft 78	20	..	13.821	..

COMMONWEALTH AND FOREIGN

1979/80 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
86¼	61	Aust 5¾% 81-82	84¼	-¼	8.204	13.783	
84¼	74	Aust 6% 81-83	79¾	-¼	7.543	13.701	
93¾	67½	Aust 7¾ 78-81	83¾	..	7.824	14.573	
88¼	79½	E Africa 5¾% 77-83	77¼	..	7.978	15.167	
420	400	German 4½% 1930	410	..	..	..	
84	42	Hungary 7½% 1924	49	..	..	..	
88¼	78½	Ireland 7¾% 81-83	83	-¼	..	..	
340	198	Japan Ans 4% 1910	208	..	..	..	
74	69	Japan 6% 82-85	69	..	..	..	
94¼	80½	Kenya 6% 78-82	86½	..	5.887	15.971	
100	81¼	Malaya 7½% 78-82	90	-¼	8.543	14.292	
72⅞	58	N Z 7¾% 80-82	61	..	11.817	13.802	
84½	70	N Z 7½% 83-86	75¾	..	9.882	13.516	
97	88¼	N Rhd 8¾ 78-81	97	..	6.346	15.998	
97	88¼	Nyasa 6% 78-81	97	..	6.346	15.998	
154	120	Peru 6% Ans	154	..	..	..	
93	88¼	S Africa 9¾% 79-81	94½	-¼	..	..	
163	43	S Rhd 3¾% 03-10	130	-¼	..	..	
102	86	S Rhd 4½% 87-92	88	-¼	..	..	
169	81	S Rhd 8¾ 78-81	165	..	..	..	
45	36	Spanish 4%	36	..	..	..	
87¼	77½	Tang 8¾% 78-82	87¼	..	6.715	15.602	
97	90	Uruguay 3½%	90	..	..	..	

LOCAL AUTHORITIES

1979/80 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
26	20½	L C C 3¾ 1920	22	..	13.908		
83	74	L C C 8¾ 80-82	79¾	-¼	6.288	13.825	
90	84¼	L C C 8¾% 77-81	88¾	-¼	8.133	14.457	
83½	70½	L C C 8¾% 83-84	78½	..	7.288	13.465	
74	59	L C C 8¾% 85-87	64¼	-¼	8.837	13.486	
74	59	L C C 8¾% 88-90	63¾	-2¼	10.973	13.276	
105¾	84¾	G L C 9¾% 90-92	93½	+½	11.170	13.608	
82½	65½	G L C 9¾% 80-82	80¾	-¼	10.528	14.527	
103¾	81¼	G L C 13¾% 1982	99¾	-¼	13.934	14.008	
104¾	90	G L C 13¾% 1983	99¾	..	13.111	13.968	
88	70	C of L 13¾% 80-83	86	..	7.950	14.479	
89¼	73¾	Ag Mt 7¾% 81-84	78½	..	8.989	14.702	
78	58	Ag Mt 7¾% 81-83	69¼	..	12.561	14.252	
67	55½	Ag Mt 6¾% 85-90	61¾	..	11.019	14.088	
96¼	87¾	Belfast 6¾% 77-80	96¼	..	9.753	16.308	
90¼	84¼	Croydon 6¾% 78-81	89¾	-¼	7.623	14.812	
69	54¼	Glasgow 6¾% 80-82	69¾	-¼	10.336	14.961	
104¼	94¼	Liverpl 13¾% 1981	98¾	-¼	13.280	14.427	
20¼	14½	Met Water B 3¾-03	17¾	..	11.144	13.139	
82	71	N T 7¾% 82-84	78½	..	8.803	13.839	
82⅞	77	N T Elec 6¾% 81-83	77¾	..	8.133	14.254	
79¼	68	Nwark 6¾% 82-84	71¾	-¼	9.481	13.612	

DOLLAR STOCKS

1979/80 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
13⅞	7¾	Brascan £10	..	..	54.3	8.4	12.7
20½	16¼	BP Canada £6	..	..	..	..	..
16⅞	12	Can-Pac Ord £15⅞	..	+¼	66.2	4.2	5.8
13¾	7¾	El Paso £9¾	..	+¼	41.7	4.4	17.6
24¾	22¼	Exxon Corp £29¼	..	+¼	..	..	..
27¼	10	Fluor £27½	..	+¾	55.1	..	..
27⅞	13¼	Hollinger £14¾	..	..	..	..	..
14½	6¾	Hud Bay Oil £11⅞	..	+¼	21.0	1.8	17.5
640⅞	318¾	Husky Oil 630	..	+10	..	..	..
14½	8¼	IXCO £8¾	..	-¼	27.3	3.2	26.9
868¾	488	IU Int 642	..	-18	41.2	6.4	7.9
12¾	8	Kaiser Alum 38¼	..	+¼	63.0	..	..
305	236	Massey-Ferg 300	..	+15	..	..	..
997½	418¾	Norton Simon 687	..	+5	47.7b	..	..
30¼	21¼	Pan Canadian £26½	..	+¼	..	..	..
278	180	Steep Rock 153	..	..	..	..	..
11½	6¾	Trans Can P £9¾	..	+¼	..	..	..
19¼	7	US Steel £23¾	..	-½	..	..	..
18¼	8¾	Zapata Corp £15¾	..	+¼	21.6	..	..

BANKS AND DISCOUNTS

1979/80 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
282	194	Alexs Discount 234		-1	22.6	9.6	..
338	270	Allen H & Rom 308		-6	30.7	9.1	14.0
142½	112	Allied Irish 101		..	8.0	7.9	4.2
19¼	15	Ansbacher M. 14½		..	..	..	21.3
257	142	Arb-Latham 215		..	16.1	7.0	18.1
266½	180	ANZ Grp 222		..	11.7	5.3	9.0
15⅞	9¾	Bank America £11¼		..	62.8	5.6	5.9
438	283	Bk of Ireland 283		..	24.5	8.7	5.0
14¼	6	Bk Leumi Israel 6		..	6.1	1.3	10.5
155	100	Bk Leumi UK 120		..	12.2	10.2	9.4
297	134	Bk of NSW 144		..	7.9	5.5	8.0
257	222	Bk of Scotland 234		..	21.4	9.1	5.9
818	343	Barclays Bank 441		+4	21.4	6.0	7.9
344	229	Brown Shipley 342		-3	18.6b	5.4	13.4
377	254	Cater Ryder 324		..	30.0	9.3	..
221	154	Chase Man 319		+4	122	..	..
14⅞	7¼	Citicorp 33¾		+½	69.7	..	..
110	86	Clive Discount 97		+4	..	..	..
181	114	Com Bk of Syd 139		..	8.7	6.3	4.6
65¼	38¼	Commerzbank £38½		+½	22.1	9.6	8.7
38	25	Cr Fn Paris 34		..	13.4	3.9	11.8
24½	16	Cr De France £17½		..	139	7.9	11.5
21½	5	First Nat Fin 17		+½	..	..	1.0
296	178	Gerrard & Natt 246		..	16.4	6.7	..
88	58	Gibbs A. 88		..	3.1	3.4	28.7
221	157	Gillett Bros 177		+3	15.0	8.5	43.5
154	91	Grindlays Hldgs 123		..	8.4	6.8	4.4
127	87	Guinness Peat 107		..	9.6	9.0	12.0
37½	17½	Hambros £10 £34½		..	171	5.0	..
409	174	Do Ord 408		+7	17.1	4.2	12.5
125	73	Hill Samuel 92		+3	7.6	8.3	8.0
134	73¾	Hong K & Shang 134		..	4.1b	3.1	16.9
80	54	Jessel Toynbee 74		-2	3.5	4.8	..
190	122	Joseph L. 128		..	13.6	9.5	7.4
83	40	Keyser Ullmann 82		+¼	1.9	2.3	10.8
84	56	King & Shaxson 73		+3	7.1	9.5	11.6
164	88	Kleinwort Ben 150		..	9.3	6.2	8.7
360	271	Lloyds Bank 308		+5	29.4	6.6	8.8
188	111	Mercury Secs 169		+1	8.6	5.1	6.7
458	303	Midland 361		+8	24.6	8.1	3.0
86½	38¼	Minster Assets 38½		+½	5.8	14.1	7.7
178¼	105½	Nat of Aust 173		+2	8.4	7.1	5.9
408	276	Nat Westminster 351		+6	25.0	7.1	7.5
63	43	Ottoman 58		-2	3.9	5.5	13.0
66	45¼	Rea Bros 51		+2	7.1	4.2	11.2
25¾	13½	Royal of Can £18¼		+¼	90.2	4.9	6.7
109	75	Rtl Bk Scot Grp 81		..	6.6	8.1	3.0
214	179	Schroders 223		-3	13.1	5.2	6.1
250	180	Secombe Mar 230		..	22.5	9.9	14.1
133	75	Smith St Aubyn 135		-2	11.4	8.1	..
530	417½	Standard Chart 482		..	37.1	7.7	5.4
458	305	Union Discount 448		+6	25.6	6.4	21.5
116	63	Wintrust 71		..	4.2b	5.9	7.7

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES

1979/80 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
103½	83	Allied 94		+2½	7.1	8.5	7.3
242	157	Bass 238		+1	11.4	5.2	7.6
206	158	Bell A. 176		+2	8.1	4.6	6.7
80½	54¾	Boddingtons 80		..	3.6	4.0	13.3
130	114	Brown M. 140		..	7.3	5.2	9.0
186	147	Bulmer HP Hldgs 173		-2	4.8	2.8	10.2
84	56	C of Lds Dfd 67		..	5.0b	7.5	19.4
254	191	Devenish 255		..	16.7	4.2	11.0
259	184	Distillers 198		+2	12.0	7.1	5.9
193	151¼	Greene King 186		..	7.1	3.8	11.8
103	77½	Guinness 94		+2	7.0	7.5	8.7
263	173	Hardys & H'sons 263		..	13.4	5.1	12.7
154	74¼	Highland 142		-2	3.4	2.4	18.4
240	150	Invergordon 213		+1	5.7	2.7	11.3
112½	73	Irish Distillers 78		-3	3.6	4.7	4.5
88	60½	Marston 61		+1	2.1	3.4	12.9
77	51½	Scot & Newcastle 58		+1½	5.8	9.9	8.2
25¾	15¼	Seagram £23¾		+¼	43.5	1.8	10.4
153	54	SA Breweries 159		..	9.1	7.1	7.0
213	138	Tamalin 167		+2	8.4	5.2	12.7
183	121	Vaux 185		..	9.2	5.0	8.8
156	98	Whitbread 'A' 138		+2	8.4	6.3	7.0
157	98	Do B 154		+1	8.4	5.5	7.0
158	94	Whitbread Inv 128		+4	7.9	5.7	24.3
350	220	Wolverhampton 350		-2	12.8	3.7	10.3

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL

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1979/80 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
140	98	AAH 128		..	10.6	7.9	8.8
185	75	AGB Research 112		-3	8.6b	5.0	20.4
70	16	AI Ind Prod 16		..	..	..	4.5
243	141	APV Hldgs 168		+8	12.0	7.1	4.0
91	65	Aaronson Bros 68		-2	6.0	10.9	4.9
133	80	Aerow 80		..	4.3	7.2	3.9
95	30	Do A 35		+2	4.3	12.3	2.3
219	143	Adwest Group 146		..	9.3	6.8	5.7
258	103	Aeron'c & Gen 152		..	4.0	1.7	22.8
44	29	Aero Needles 30		..	..	..	10.3
40	10	Airfix Ind 12½		..	5.2	41.8	2.0
825	475	Akzo 525		+13	54.3	10.3	..
111	76	Alcan Alum UK 76		..	9.4	12.4	6.7
91	72½	Do 10½% £76		..	1850	14.0	..
52	30	Allen W. G. 32		..	4.2	13.2	9.0
154	69	Allied Colloids 116		..	3.6	3.1	18.4
74	8	Allied Plant 12		..	2.3	7.0	3.8
133	37	Alpine Hldgs 55		..	7.5	12.7	3.7
376	227	Amal Metal 236		+7	20.0	8.5	6.5
146	65	Amal Power 68		-1	8.5	12.5	14.8
58	34	Amber Day 37		..	4.1	15.1	2.6
44	22	Amber Ind Hldgs 25		..	0.9	3.6	5.0
88	62	Anchor Chem 78		..	7.6	9.7	4.2
79	45	Anderson Strath 71		-½	4.3	6.0	7.9
95	55½	Anglia TV 'A' 75		..	6.1	7.0	6.7
10	5¾	Anglo Amer Ind 10½		..	58.7	6.2	9.2
114	41	Applegard 46		..	6.1	13.3	6.7
48	28	Aquascutum 'A' 36		..	2.9	11.3	4.3
67	35	Arenson Hldgs 40		..	2.6	6.5	3.1
96	48	Arlen Elec 46		..	8.6	18.6	5.2
142	85	Arlington Mtr 85		..	12.9	15.1	3.2
107½	44½	Armitage Shanks 93		+2	6.5	6.8	6.3
94	67	Ass Biscuit 80		+3	8.3	7.9	7.0
351	178	Ass Book 195		..	10.7	5.5	6.0
60	44	Ass Brit Food 56		..	4.9	5.1	5.7
158	90	Ass Comm 'A' 91		..	11.4	12.6	5.3
112	55	Ass Engineer 60½		+½	8.6	14.2	4.4
72	36	Ass Fisheries 37		..	1.4	2.5	15.0
109	70	Ass Leisure 82½		..	6.5	7.0	7.7
318	163	Ass News 290		-6	11.8	4.1	7.8
67½	31	Ass Paper 35		..	5.3	14.9	2.6
57	40	Ass Textiles 50		..	4.9	9.8	13.3
59	39	Atkins Bros 42		..	6.4	15.3	5.5
31	4	Audiotronic 4		..	0.1c	1.8	..
15½	4	Do Pref 4		..	..	..	..
60½	37	Ault & Wiborg 44		..	3.3	7.5	2.6
103	45	Aurora Hldgs 54		..	8.3	15.3	5.7
152	100	Austin E. 115		..	6.7	5.8	5.0
110	57	Automotive Pd 57		-1	4.5	8.0	4.1
202	108	Avon Rubber 108		..	14.8	13.7	3.7
263	223	B.A.T. Ind 253		-5	25.5	10.1	3.9
358	223	Do Dfd 353		+6	25.5	10.1	3.9
45	36	BBA Grp 41		..	3.8	9.2	4.3
68	46	BET Dfd 52		-1	10.8	8.6	5.0
156	90	BICC 121		-2	12.2	10.1	6.9
26	15	BL Ltd 19		..	..	..	..
73	42	BOC Int 73		+2	5.3	6.6	6.0
156	116	BPB Ind 151		+1	12.1	8.4	8.7
18½	10½	B P C 17½		-½	..	..	..
82	60	BPM Hldgs 'A' 80		..	6.1	7.8	5.4
40½	17½	BSG Int 19½		..	2.9	12.5	3.4
85	37	BSR Ltd 55		..	4.0	14.4	15.3
303	184¼	BTR Ltd 302		+2	12.2	4.1	13.1
189	77	Babcock Int 89		+2	18.0	11.2	5.0
98	53	Baggeridge Brk 56		..	5.4	9.7	4.4
42	8	Bailey C.H. Ord 9½		..	0.5	10.4	7.4
209	145	Baird W. 180		+4	17.5	10.9	5.7
51	31	Baker Perkins 43		..	0.9b	12.5	8.3
114½	35	Bambers Stores 43		+1	1.9	4.4	6.1
68	51	Banro Cons 57		..	4.3	7.5	3.3
88	19	Barker & Dixon 19½		..	..	..	..
168	84	Barr & Wallace 92		+1	9.6	10.5	3.7
167	84	Do A 87		..	9.6	11.1	3.5
107	80	Barratt Devs 107		+1	13.8	14.8	2.9
53	35	Barrow Hepbn 37		..	3.1	8.5	4.7
52	30	Barton & Sons 32		..	5.7b	13.5	3.7
151	85	Bassett G. 89		..	9.4	16.0	10.8
60	32	Bath & P'land 36		..	5.2	14.3	4.2
54½	38½	Bayer 230		+4	135	5.1	12.8
17	18	Beales J. 25		..	..	..	..
205	122	Beatson Clark 138		..	12.0	8.7	4.7
44	24	Beauford Grp 44		-3	5.0	11.5	4.6
80	61	Beckman A. 81		..	5.3	16.5	4.0
185¼	100	Beecham Grp 136		+4	8.8	6.4	11.0
77	48¾	Bejam Grp. 76		-1	3.1b	4.1	12.0
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92	37	Bemrose Corp 85		..	8.4	10.0	5.5
70	52	Bens Bros 53		..	4.8	8.8	9.9
146	78	Berec Grp 87		-1	7.9	8.1	8.4
257	150	Berisford S & W 128		-1	10.7	8.4	5.3
99	82	Berkshire 73		..	5.4	7.0	4.6
254	128	Bestobell 245		..	15.7	6.3	8.7
64	42	Bett Bros 48		..	5.6	8.3	5.8
182	92	Bibby J. 178		-2	8.9	5.0	5.4
62	37	Bifurcated Eng 38		..	5.0	13.2	4.0
147	77	Birm'gham Mint 177		..	12.4	7.0	6.1
164	33	Black & Edgin 38		..	1.2	12.7	8.6
58	35¼	Blackford Hodge 41¼		..	3.6	8.8	6.4
31	15	Blackwood Mt 15		..	0.9e	7.2	..
154	54	Blagden & N 125		..	11.0	8.8	4.6
330	270	Blue Circle Ind 306		+2	17.9	5.3	9.3
100	83	Blundell Perm 100		..	6.9	6.9	4.3
30½	8½	Boardman K. O. 7		..	0.2	2.4	3.5
110	72	Bodycote 77		..	8.7	7.9	3.8
224	144¼	Boots £149		+4	54.6	5.7	6.2
378	208	Booker McCon 248		+7	17.9	7.3	4.8
153	87	Boot R. 150		..	18.6	12.0	10.7
148	108	Boots 195		+3	10.9	5.1	8.9
97	80	Borthwick T. 89		+1	..	..	..
122½	12½	Boulton W. 13		..	1.8	14.8	7.6
222	139	Bowater Corp 170		..	16.4	9.7	5.0
129	69	Bowthrpe Hldgs 116		..	7.5	6.3	12.0
79	41	Braby Leslie 48		..	2.8b	5.6	3.0
73	52	Brady Ind 60		..	4.3	7.2	13.8
66	57	Do A 58		..	4.3	11.3	8.2
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Further particulars and application form, returnable by 1st July, 1980, available from the Establishment Section, Office of Arts & Social Studies, Arts Building, University of Sussex, Brighton, BN1 9QN (Brighton 606755, ext 1080, Mrs Slopney) quoting reference 457/1.

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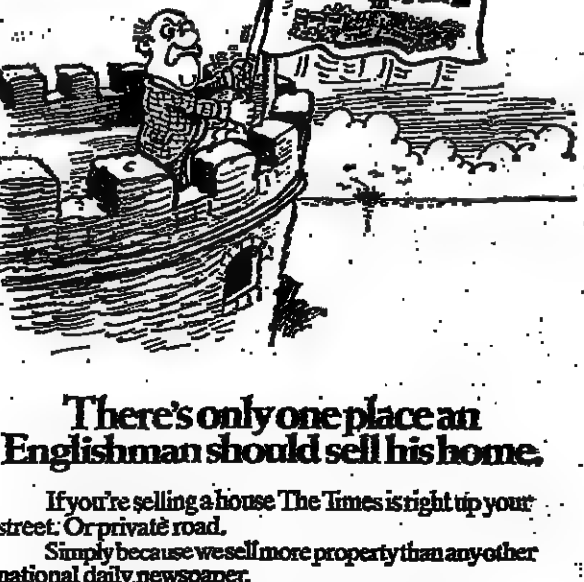

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FINANCIAL NEWS

[Re]dland may raise [bor]rowing limit

[The] board of Redland pro[poses] to increase the group's [borrowi]ng limit, as it believes [the exis]ting limit is unduly re[strictive]. At present, the limit [is] £85m. If the proposed [changes] are approved the limit [on the] basis of accounts at [March] 31 would be about ... [Curren]t borrowings are about ... [con]sideration of debenture [holders a]greeing to the changes, [it is p]roposed that interest [on] the 1980-85, the 1988-1990-95 stocks be in[creased] by one quarter per ... [con]sideration for prefer[ence hold]ers agreeing, it is pro[posed th]at the dividend be in[creased] from 4.55 per cent to ... interim 2.85p gross against 2.54p.

The board says the improved results were partly due to the better weather conditions for building. It accepts the group cannot remain immune from the effects of the present cutbacks in the construction industry, but remains confident of the group's future progress.

[...] Industries' [...]s squeezed

[...] control and inflation [...] to depress margins at [...] industries, a Dublin [ci]garette and tobacco [...] board says. In the [...]s to March 31, pre-tax [...]ose from £2.6m to [...] turnover of £65.8m [...]54.1m. Earnings a [...]re 5.8p against 4.7p. [...]rim went up from [...]1.5p gross. The board [...] the outlook for the [...]is satisfactory.

[...]s Brewery [g]ood start

[...]f Everard's brewery [...]3.9m in the 24 weeks [...]5. Pretax profit were [...] The board says that [...] buoyant during the [...] has levelled off in [...]x weeks. [...]ctors remain confi[dent...] they can control costs [...] trading to maintain [...]ble result for the [...] excluding extraordin[ary]...

Contract losses hald Rowlinson back

Rowlinson Construction pushed its pretax profit for the year to March 31 up from £56,000 to £62,500.

The dividend is held at 0.86p gross.

The board says that the group had a successful year in industrial development, but due to terminal losses on local authority contracts and higher interest rates, profits are only slightly higher.

Mr Lacey's plans for Hamilborne

Mr Graham Ferguson Lacey yesterday unveiled detailed plans for converting brickmaker Hamilborne into the owner of energy interests in America. Mr Lacey will become the owner of a brick making company Hammill Brick which he intends to sell on to his private quarry company Islandmore Quarry Ltd for £115,000 cash.

The new Hamilborne, where Mr Lacey has a 52.6 per cent stake, plans to change its name to Energy Capital Ltd, and will bring in as chief executive 57-year-old Dr Paul Temple—co founder and former president of Bermuda-based Weeks Petroleum, who is part of the "pooling" arrangement by which Mr Ferguson Lacey controls around 27 per cent of Weeks. The £1.6m energy deal will be settled with Hamilborne shares.

[...]nsulate [...]rd year

[...]979, Tern-Consulate [...] turnover from £5m [...] Pre-tax profits were [...]ainst £277,000 while [...]d. is 5.7p compared [...] gross. [...]rmen says there is [...] that the current [...]ing to prove very [...] British industry as [...]nd he is therefore [...]g the recent growth [...]o continue uninter[rupted]...

Stationery group climbs 45 pc

The board of Continuous Stationery proposes a one-for-one scrip issue. Over the year to March 31, pretax profits rose 45 per cent to £450,000 on turnover of £3.5m against £2.7m. Earnings a share were 8.79p against 4.69p. The board recommends a dividend of 6.14p gross against 3.97p.

[...]am Brick [...] half year

[...] of Nottingham [...] from £1.01m to [...] the six months to [...] Pretax profits were [...]be board says that ...

Montagu expansion In Hongkong

Samuel Montagu and Co of London is opening a wholly-owned subsidiary in Hongkong to deal in bullion and precious metals, Mr Robert Sitt, managing director of the new company said.

Samuel Montagu (Hong Kong) would officially open in early July and have a paid-up capital of HK$10m, he said.

[...] emphasis on [cob]alt in Zambia

Mining

[...]1970s Zambia' de[velopment] plans envisaged [pro]duction of about [...]nes a year. This [has] long been incom[patible with] the harsh facts of [...]. Production last [...]out 620,000 tonnes, [...]ound which output [has] hover for several [...]d, Zambia is turn[ing]...

[...] emphasis comes [...]h leading mining [...] Nchanga Consolid[ated] Mines and Roan [...] Mines, returned [...]ity in 1978-79 year. [...]is was achieved on [...] than in the pre[vious]...

[...]tember RCM de[cla]red dividends since [1]974. NCCM is to [...]ual report for the [...] March 1980 in [...] looks as if results [...] expectations. The [...]inister's modest [...]tax from the mines [...]y be exceeded for [...]e in five years.

[...]ort term—that is, [...]t five years—there [...]s for major copper [...] world. As it takes [...]ears to develop a [...]uld mean a squeeze [...] by the mid-1980s. [...]re higher prices. [...]a senior Zambian [...]cial is optimistic [...]country's long-term [...]pects.

[...]gued that contrary [...]elief, Zambia is not [...]d: NCCM's gearing [...]n loans is 1:3, for [...]:5, which is healthy [...] books.

[...]knowledging that [...] a seller's market [...] mining personnel, [...]nagement is now [...]nt than some years [...] what it terms [...]ambianization", as [...]old time "window [...]be 3,500 or so ex[...] the copperbelt will [...] needed for their [...]xpertise—they are [...]ials as the catalyst [...]abour force.

[...]e future may seem [...]nanagement, in the [...]ition there is no [...]opper earnings are [...] boosted by cobalt. [...]bout 10,000 tonnes [...]rn about the same [...]nnes of copper. In [...]s it will always be [...] mine copper. The [...]b is that for about [...] of copper output [...]onne of cobalt as ...

[...] years, Zambia—[...]ically NCCM—has [...]cant discoveries of [...] find of an un[...]ghgrade cobalt ore body at Chingola in 1977 was kept secret. However, NCCM forged ahead with efforts to establish new refinery plant to increase capacity. Now that this project is well on the way, with the first phase scheduled to be completed in early 1982, it has been announced that three of the 14 ore bodies at Chingola contain high grades—and quantities—of cobalt.

No figure on the size of the reserves has been released, but the most important is the upper ore body which contains 88 per cent of the total Chingola cobalt. More than half of this can be extracted from the Nchanga open pit—one of the world's largest opencast mines.

At the same time research has been proceeding on another cobalt project which has now reached the planning and feasibility stage. Cobalt, being a by-product, passes along different routes in the processing of copper. Some it it lands in the tailing, some in the slag.

Anyone driving into Kitwe, in the copper belt, instantly spots the vast slagheap, which is about half a century old. Given the high cost of cobalt and new technology, it is obviously now worthwhile to treat this Rokana slag. The estimated annual yield is about 700 tonnes and given the size of the slag heap this should prove a worthwhile investment.

Between them, Zaire and Zambia virtually dictate the producer price of cobalt, pegged at $25 a pound CIF until the end of the year. But for Zambia, the key to its resources is investment. In recent years mining finance has gone not to developing countries but to industrialized countries such as Canada and Australia, where ore grades and reserves are low. Developing countries are seen as high risk areas.

However, as far as cobalt is concerned—given the rarity of this metal—the choice is really only between developing Zairean or Zambian resources. Zambia has been a small cobalt producer since the 1930s. Output now is about 3,700 tonnes a year and due to increase towards the target figure of 6,400 tonnes a year by 1985, of which RCM will contribute 2,500 and NCCM about 4,000 tonnes.

The possibility of increasing this figure is there, but it would require additional finance, apart from the slag treatment plant. Zaire, the traditional world supplier, has a capacity of 16,000 tonnes a year, but has not produced anything like this for four years or more.

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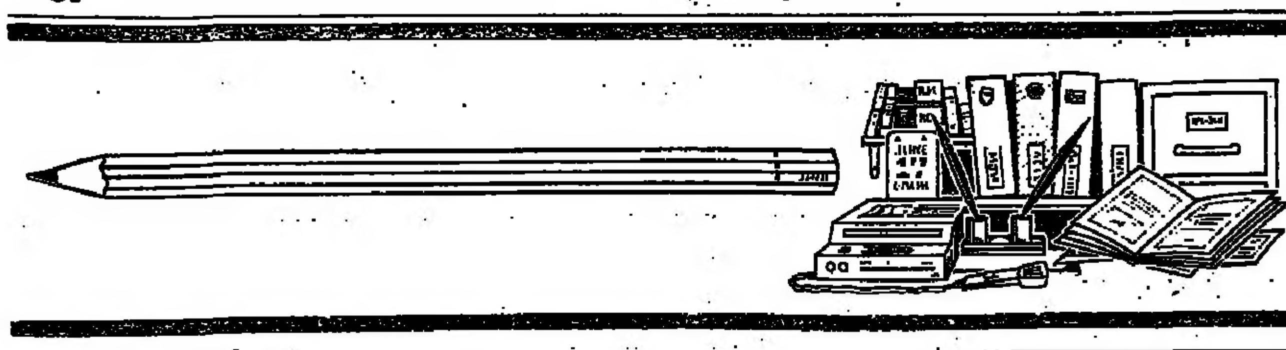

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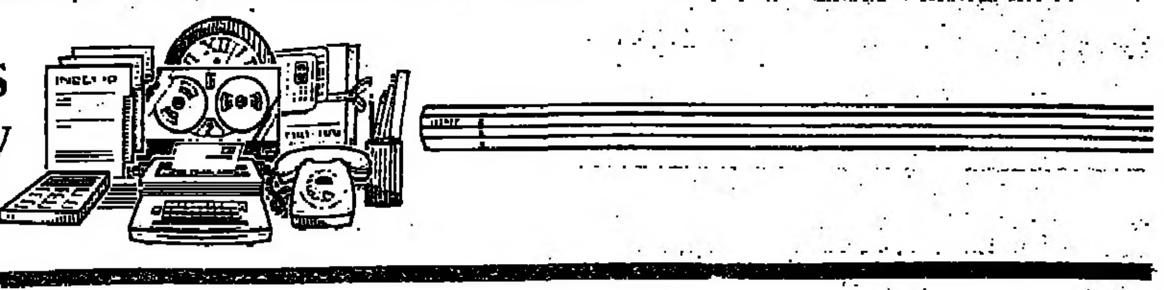

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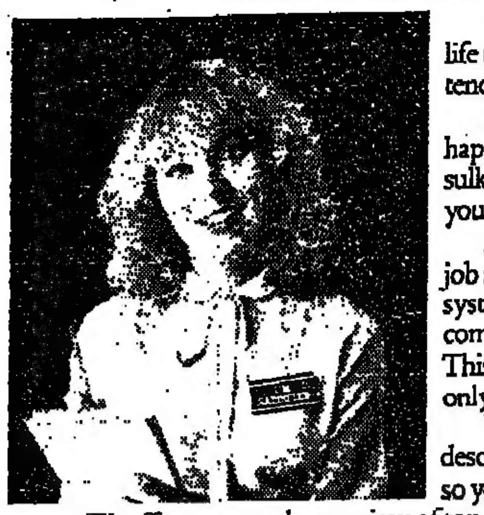

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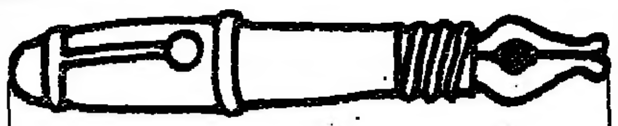

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PERSONAL CHOICE

...Harty and Penelope Keith: two of tonight's Quartet ... 9.30)

...of Spring (BBC 2, 8.10) are Mother Nature's not Igor ...ky's. This film, in the series The World About Us, is ...annual miracle: what happens when flora and fauna ...ff the white blanket of winter and slip into their amazing ...olor dream coat. Cuckoo sings in bluebell wood; a jam jar ...y river water is, in reality, a minestrone of algae (the ...rds, not mine); courting hares exchange punches, like ...e kangaroos; heron beak impales frog and pike jaws ...tickleback; ladybird feasts off raindrop, twice its size; ...inexplicably wags its tail. Marvellous pictures, from start ...(the closing sunset shot deserves to be put on sale by the ...ts nature portrait of the year), with unobtrusive and ...commentary that explains, for instance, that spring sap ...a tree at a rate of 25 metres an hour.

...ll Harty has said it for me, and I thank him. Quartet ...9.30), the anthology for eight hands which he has ...is literate, chic and short. It is also slightly stiff and ...tertaining (my judgments) and if it can learn to loosen ...a little, it could turn into a welcome series if it wanted ...our talented folk who recite funny passages and ...ally burst into song are Penelope Keith, Alan Bennett, ...ritch and Mr Harty himself. There are Parker bits and ...nd Spark pieces, and old Baedeker, Hugo and Berlitz ...e delightfully plundered for their ridiculous treasures. ...n-Slade song, with Mr Harty at the piano and Miss ...ning her voice to his, is the minus in a show of plusses.

...en University programme Feature Films as Propaganda ...1.35 pm) is a reminder, as if we needed one, how ...inspiring the cinema can be. The examples include ...'s films (Strike, Potemkin) and their historical ...n of the Russian Revolution (the Odessa Steps ...never happened, it seems); and the Nazi films which ...for the persecution of the Jews, the medical murders ...th camps, and the Germans' contempt for the British ...n, greedy Queen Victoria, an obscenely gluttonous ...

...day for the spoken word on radio: Cheryl Campbell ...ment of Youth actress) and Gabriel Woolf begin ...raham Greene's The End of the Affair in Woman's ...dio 4, 2.02) and Garard Green reads more chapters ...Scott's Booker Prize novel Staying On in A Book at ...Radio 4, 11.00).... On Radio 3 at 9.40 you can hear ...try House in English Poetry, an anthology from the ...among others, Marvell, Johnson, Pope and Yeats. The ...e Jill Balcon and Eric Lander.

...E SYMBOLS MEAN: †STEREO; *BLACK AND WHITE; ...T.

Broadcasting Guide

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TELEVISION

BBC 1

6.40 Open University: Design for Infants; **7.05** Secular music of the Renaissance; **7.30** One step at a time. Closedown at 7.55.

9.00 For Schools, Colleges: History (Israel and the Arab states); **9.47** Mathshow (a set of scales); **10.10** Merry-go-Round (French trek, 1); **11.05** It's Maths (solid shapes); **11.30** Let's Look at Wales (results of competition). Closedown at 11.50.

1.30 Mr Benn: children's story; **1.45** News; **2.00** You and Me: Splash and Swim (r).

2.15 For Schools, Colleges: Music Time (on the sea); **2.40** Television Club (A School in Time: Push for Poem); Closedown at 3.00.

3.50 Play School: George Tarry's story The Lonely Note, read by Carol Leader and Michael Mann.

4.15 The All New Popeye Show: cartoons featuring the superhuman sailor and his skinny girl friend.

4.35 International Match of the Day: Live coverage of the England v. Belgium game, from Turin, in the European Football Championship. Jimmy Hill provides the comment, John Motson the commentary.

6.50 Tomorrow's World: The latest computer game, 3-D football. Also, how the film Star Wars helped San Francisco's new buildings.

7.20 Are You Being Served? Department store comedy. This episode is called Strong Stuff, This Insurance (r).

7.50 Mike Yarwood: Repeat showing of his show screened last Christmas. His guests (in a manner of speaking) include Frankie Vaughan, Ken Dodd and Frank Sinatra, President Carter, Robin Day, Margaret Thatcher.

8.30 That's Life Report: How good are those orthopaedic beds? How effective are those slimming aids? Chris Serle investigates.

9.00 News: with Richard Baker.

9.25 Square Mile of Murder: First of four reconstructions of Scottish murder cases. Morag Hood as the servant girl Jessie McLachlan, accused of murdering her friend with a cleaver in 1862.

10.15 International Match of the Day: Highlights from today's England v Belgium and Spain v Italy games in the European Football Championships. Introduced by Jimmy Hill.

11.05 News headlines.

11.07 Question Time: Robin Day with a strong panel (Sir James Goldsmith, Tom Jackson and Sally Oppenheim MP) face a theatre full of questioners.

12.05 Weather and regional news.

Regions

BBC 1 VARIATIONS: BBC Cymru/Wales: 6.50 pm Heddiw. 12.05 am News and weather for Wales. Scotland: 1.25 pm Scottish News. 11.05 News Headlines. 11.07 Current Account. 11.37 News and weather for Scotland. Northern Ireland: 11.30 am Transmitters Closedown. 3.48 pm Northern Ireland News. 12.05 am News and weather for Northern Ireland. England: 12.10 am Close.

BBC 2

6.40 am Open University: Space-time geometry; **7.05** Reluctant militants; **7.30** Systems engineering. Closedown at 7.55.

11.00 Play School: Same as BBC 1, 3.55. Closedown at 11.25.

2.00 pm International Tennis: The Stella Artois Championship, from Queen's Club in London. John McEnroe starts the defence of the title he won last year, and the line-up of players also includes Vijay Amritraj and Roscoe Tanner. Commentary by Dan Maskell, John Barrett and Peter West.

4.35 My Dear Uncle Sherlock: Twelve-year-old boy finds out who robbed a rich old recluse.

4.55 John Craven's Newsround: junior newsreel; **5.05 Blue Peter:** with the mackerel fishermen of Mousehole, in Cornwall; **5.35 The Wombles:** more Wimbledon Common fun for children.

5.40 News: with Richard Baker;

6.20 Nationwide: all the regions link up at 6.20.

6.50 International Golf: A look back at the 1979 United States Open Golf Championship played at Toledo, Ohio. Peter Alliss provides the commentary.

7.25 News: with sub-titles for the hard of hearing.

7.35 Newsweek: How the small businessman is faring under the Thatcher government which promised him a better deal than he had under Labour.

8.10 The World About Us: Rites of Spring. The strange things that Nature does in the springtime, from flowers to butterflies (see Personal Choice).

9.00 Jeremy Taylor: The good-natured satirical guitarist and singer with another of his musical shows.

9.30 Quartet: Amusing titbits, musical and spoken, assembled by Russell Harty, and performed by him and Penelope Keith, Elaine Stritch and Alan Bennett (see Personal Choice).

10.15 Your Life in their Hands: How a mother gave a kidney to her daughter. The story of Mandy Grieve's operation.

10.45 Newsnight: News bulletins and news features; **11.30** Interval.

11.35 Open University: Feature films as propaganda (See Personal Choice).

THAMES

9.30 For Schools: Making a Living (visit to a coalfield in Yorkshire);

9.52 Over to You (ears); **10.09** Look Around (building techniques); **10.26** French (English students in Poitiers); **10.48** Experiment (Newtonian constant of gravitation); **11.05** About Books (telling the time); **11.27** Seeing and Doing (musical instruments);

11.44 Picture Box (tale of a kite).

12.00 Little Blue: story of a baby elephant. Read by John Kidd (r);

12.10 Stepping Stones: All about furry creatures: **12.30** The Sullivans: drama at sea during the last war.

1.00 News; **1.20** Thames News.

1.30 For Maddie with Love: Neil brings his girlfriend home, but he still doesn't know about his mother's illness. With Nyree Dawn Porter.

2.00 Here Today: Magazine programme, including interviews and useful information.

2.45 Flat Bust: Play about a black girl (Alyson Spiro), without money or figure, who arrives in Leeds, in search of a new future (r).

3.45 Superstar Profile: interview with Superman star Christopher Reeve; **4.15** Little House on the Prairie: Tragic outcome of a faith healer's visit to Walnut Grove.

Morag Hood: She is on trial for murdr in Square Mile of Murder (BBC 1, 9.25)

5.15 The Daily Mirror USSR Gymnastics Scholarships Final: Boy gymnasts from 16 to 18 and girls of 12 to 14 compete for the chance of a month's training by some of the Soviet Union's top gymnasts.

5.45 News; **6.00** Thames News;

6.25 Help! Advice for one-parent families. With Joan Shenton.

6.35 Crossroads: the motel serial. A visitor for Eddie Lee.

7.00 European Football Championships: Highlights from the England v Belgium game, and live coverage of the Spain v Italy clash in Milan. Dickie Davies introduces the matches.

9.30 The Mallens: Episode three of this passionate story set in Northumberland in the last century. Tonight: Barbara Mallen, in love with her cousin, learns the truth about her illegitimacy.

10.30 News, followed by Thames news headlines.

11.00 TV Eye: Stocktaking, after the first full year of the Government's monetarist policies. Interviews with Denis Healey, Brian Rigby, acting Director of the CBI, and John Knott, Secretary of State for Trade.

11.30 Lou Grant: Slammer. The editor's journalism class consists of state prison inmates with a grievance over the closure of their own newspaper.

12.25 What the Papers Says: Mikki Doyle, women's editor of the *Morning Star* looks at other papers' pages for women readers.

12.40 Close: Cyril Shaps reads the Philip Larkin poem Toads.

RADIO

Radio 4

6.00 am News Briefing.
6.10 Farming Today.
6.30 Today.
7.00, 8.00 News.
7.30, 8.30 Headlines.
8.35 Yesterday in Parliament.
9.00 News.
9.05 Checkpoint.
9.30 The Living World.
10.00 News.
10.02 Clubland Heroes (3).
10.30 Daily Service.
10.45 The Mask of Dimitrios (4).
11.00 News.
11.05 Analysis.
11.50 Smith on Survival (3).
12.00 News.
12.02 pm You and Yours.
12.27 Quote . . . Unquote.
12.55 Weather.
1.00 The World at One.
1.40 The Archers.
2.00 News.
2.02 Woman's Hour.
3.00 News.
3.02 Listen With Mother.
3.15 Play: Our Children's Children, by Jeremy Seabrook.
4.15 Any Answers?
4.45 Story: Over My Dead Body.
5.00 PM.
5.55 Weather.
6.00 News.
6.30 Brain of Britain.†
7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.
7.20 Time For Verse.
7.30 RLPO Weller (live from Philharmonic Hall, Liverpool), pt 1: Beethoven (Sym 8).†
8.00 When the Gas Ran Out.
8.20 RLPO, pt 2: Beethoven (Sym 2).†
9.40 Kaleidoscope.
10.00 The World Tonight.
11.00 A Book at Bedtime.
11.15 Financial World Tonight.
11.30 Today in Parliament.
12.00 News.
12.15 am-12.23 Weather.

VHF

6.50 am Regional news, weather.
7.50 Regional news, weather.
9.05-10.30 Schools: A Service for Schools; Sounds, Words and Movement; Notice Board I; Stories and Rhymes.
10.45-12.00 Schools: Salut les jeunes I; Time and Tune; Man: Advanced Studies—Geography.
2.00 pm-2.45 Schools: Living Language; Dance Workship.
5.50 Regional news, weather.
11.30-12.10 am Open University: Purgatory; An Introduction to Materials.

Radio 3

6.55 am (mw only) Weather.
7.00 News.
7.05 Records: Reznicek, Vivaldi, Bridge, Beethoven (Sym 1).†
8.00 News.
8.05 Records: Sibelius, Pleyel, Dowland, Borodin (Sym 2).†
9.00 News.
9.05 Week's Composer: Massenet.†
10.00 Songs, quartet (Manning, Dartington): Spohr, Forbes, Carhart, Mendelssohn.†
11.30 Piano: Beach.†
11.50 BBC Northern SO/Barshai: Haydn (Sym 104), Prokofiev (Sym 3).†
1.00 pm News.
1.05 Songs (live from Bristol): Scarlatti, Handel, Cesarini, Schumann, Strauss, Fauré, Turina.†
2.00 Violin (Kagan): Bach (Partitas 3, 2).†
2.55 Piano, quartet (Milne, Gabrieli), pt 1: Medtner.†
3.20 Interval reading.
3.30 Medtner, pt 2.†
4.05 Building a Library: Howells.†
4.55 News.
5.00 (mw and mono only from 6.20) Music for early evening.†
7.00 Talking about Music.†
7.30 As Radio 4.†
9.40 The Country House in English Poetry.
10.15 Book, Music and Lyrics.†
11.00 News.
11.05-11.15 Record: Klemperer.†

VHF

6.00 am-7.00 Open University: Patterns of Inequality; The Universal in Perception; Rhetoric.
6.20 pm-7.00 Open University: Social Science Concepts; Maths Foundation Tutorial.

Radio 2

5.00 am News, weather. **5.03** Ray Moore.† **7.32** Terry Wogan.† **10.03** Jimmy Young.† **12.03 pm** David Hamilton.† **2.03** Ed Stewart.† **4.03** Much More Music.† **4.30** European Football. **7.00** John Dunn.† **8.02** Country Club.† **9.02** Alan Dell.† **9.55** Sports Desk. **10.02** Wits End. **10.30** Star Sound Extra. **11.02** Sports Desk. **11.10** Brian Matthew. **2.02 am-5.00** You and the Night and the Music.†

Radio 1

5.00 am As Radio 2. **7.00** Dave Lee Travis. **9.00** Simon Bates. **11.31** Paul Burnett. **2.00 pm** Andy Peebles. **4.31** Paul Gambaccini. **7.00** Talkabout. **8.00** Mike Read. **9.50** Newsbeat. **10.00** John Peel.† **12.00-5.00 am** As Radio 2.
VHF RADIOS 1 AND 2: **5.00 am** With Radio 2. **4.30 pm** Much More Music.† **6.03** John Dunn.† **8.02** With Radio 2. **10.00** With Radio 1. **12.00-5.00 am** With Radio 2.

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REGIONAL TV

Scottish

As Thames except: 12.30 pm-1.00 Gardening Today. 1.20-1.30 News. 3.45 Looks Familiar. 4.15 Dynomutt. 4.45 Gymnastics. 5.15 Popeye. 5.20-5.45 Crossroads. 6.00 Scotland Today. 6.30-7.00 Report. 11.30 Late Call. 11.35-12.30 am Paris.

HTV

As Thames except: 12.30 pm-1.00 Money-Go-Round. 1.20-1.30 Report West. 3.45 Food, Wine and Friends. 4.15 Gymnastics. 4.45 Wyatt's Place. 5.15 Jobline. 5.20-5.45 Crossroads. 6.00 Report West. 6.30-7.00 Happy Days. 11.30-12.25 am Kaz. HTV CYMRU/WALES: As general service except: 9.52 am-10.07 Cymru A'r Mor. 12.00-12.10 pm Fflatabalam. 1.20-1.25 Penawdau Newyddion y Dydd. 1.25-1.30 Report Wales. 4.45-5.15 Sêr. 5.15-5.20 Cartoon. 6.00-6.15 Y Dydd. 6.15-6.30 Report Wales. 10.30-11.00 News followed by Report Wales.

Border

As Thames except: 1.20 pm-1.30 News. 3.45 Looks Familiar. 4.15 Gymnastics. 4.45 Survival. 5.15-5.45 Flintstones. 6.00-6.35 Lookaround. 11.30 Soap. 12.00 Barney Miller. 12.30 am-12.33 News.

ATV

As Thames except: 12.30 pm-1.00 Gardening Today. 1.20-1.30 News. 3.55 Looks Familiar. 4.15 Gymnastics. 4.50-5.45 Salvage 1. 6.00-6.35 ATV Today. 11.30 News. 11.35-12.35 am Kate Loves a Mystery.

Westward

As Thames except: 12.30 pm-1.00 Against the Wind. 1.20-1.30 News. 3.45 Looks Familiar. 4.15 Gymnastics. 4.45 Gus Honeybun's Birthday. 4.48 Spiderman. 5.15-5.45 Survival. 6.00-6.35 Westward Diary. 10.58 News. 11.02 TV Eye. 11.30 Encounter. 12.00 Soap. 12.25 am-12.30 Faith for Life.

Tyne Tees

As Thames except: 9.20 am Good Word followed by news. 1.20 pm-1.30 News. Lookaround. 2.00-2.45 Time to Spare. 3.45 Looks Familiar. 4.15 Gymnastics. 4.45-5.45 Salvage One. 6.00 News. 6.02 Crossroads. 6.25-7.00 Northern Life. 11.00 News. 11.02 TV Eye. 11.30 Soap. 12.00 Police Surgeon. 12.30 am-12.35 Epilogue.

Ulster

As Thames except: 1.20-1.30 Lunchtime. 3.45 Looks Familiar. 4.13 News. 4.15 Bailey's Bird. 4.45 Gymnastics. 5.15 Cartoon. 5.20-5.45 Crossroads. 6.00 News. 6.20 Police Six. 6.30-7.00 Sounds of Summer. 11.30 Family. 12.25 am-12.35 Bedtime.

Southern

As Thames except: 12.30 pm-1.00 Against the Wind. 1.20-1.30 News. 3.45 Looks Familiar. 4.15 Beachcombers. 4.45 Gymnastics. 5.15 Mr Magoo. 5.20-5.45 Crossroads. 6.00 Day by Day. 6.30-7.00 University Challenge. 11.30 Charles Endell Esq. 12.30 am Weather followed by But This I Can Believe.

Yorkshire

As Thames except: 12.30 pm-1.00 Tell Me Another. 1.20-1.30 News. 3.45 Looks Familiar. 4.15 Gymnastics. 4.45-5.45 Little House on the Prairie. 6.00-6.35 Calendar. 11.30-12.30 am Fantasy Island.

Channel

As Thames except: 12.00 Closedown. 12.30-1.00 Against the Wind. 1.20-1.30 News. 3.45 Looks Familiar. 4.15 Gymnastics. 4.48 Spiderman. 5.15-5.45 Survival. 6.00-6.35 Report at Six. 10.58 News. 11.02 TV Eye. 11.30 Lost Continent. 12.00-12.25 am Soap.

Anglia

As Thames except: 12.30-1.00 Against the Wind. 1.20-1.30 News. 3.45 Looks Familiar. 4.15 Gymnastics. 4.45 Next Week Show. 5.15-5.45 Barney Miller. 6.00 About Anglia. 6.20-6.35 Arena. 11.30 Luke's Kingdom. 12.30 Thames.

Grampian

As Thames except: Starts 9.25 am. 9.30 First Thing. 12.30 pm-1.00 Against the Wind. 1.20-1.30 News. 3.45-4.15 Looks Familiar. 6.00-6.35 North Tonight. 11.30 Reflections. 11.35 Soap. 12.05 am-12.10 News.

Granada

As Thames except: 12.30 am-1.00 Against the Wind. 1.20-1.30 Granada Reports. 3.45 Looks Familiar. 4.15 Sam. 4.45 Gymnastics. 5.15-5.45 Square One. 6.00 Granada Reports. 6.30-7.00 Mork and Mindy. 11.30 Mannix. 12.25 am-12.45 What the Papers Say.

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BIRTHS

BAUM.—On June 8th at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, to Mary and Robin — a son (John Haddon), brother for Oliver (and Emily).

BURGOYNE. — On June 9th at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, to Vanessa (nee Meredith) and Christopher, a son—(Nicholas John), brother for Emily.

BUSCH. — On June 11th, at St Thomas', to Carol (nee Meadmore) and Gary—a son (James William Anlaby), a brother for Tristan.

CHASTNEY. — On June 10th to Caroline (nee Loewy) and Oliver, at the Norfolk Norwich Hospital—a son (Dominic Conrad).

COOKE HURLE.—To Johnny and Carol (nee Hobson), on June 8th—a son (Jack).

BIRTHS

CROOKS.—On 9th June to Sue (nee Knight) and Kip—James Daniel.

DUDIN.—On June 10th at Princess Alexandra's RAF Hospital, Wroughton, Swindon, to Kirsty (nee Baines) and Roger—a son (Sam Grant), brother for Leo and Piers.

DU MONCEAU.—On June 9th to Valerie and Alan—a daughter (Alethea Colette).

FIELD.—On June 9th, at Guy's Hospital, to Susan (nee Tanner-Jones) and Timothy—a son (Edward James Stanley), a brother for Charlotte.

GILLMAN.—On June 9th, at Kingston Hospital, to Peter, and Jessica (nee Quilter)—a daughter (Claire Elizabeth).

HARTLEY.—On May 7th, at Quito, Ecuador, to Marilda and Denis—a son (Geordie William).

JACKSON.—On 9th June to Diana and Michael, of St Albans—a daughter (Alice Louise), a sister for Katharine.

JACKSON.—On June 10th at Princess Mary Maternity Hospital, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, to Caroline (nee Rowbotham) and Peter, —a son (Richard Merlin).

LLOYD.—On June 11th, to Louise (nee Hambly) and Peter—a son (David), a brother for Harriet and John.

PETERS.—On June 10th, to Pam (nee Ewan) and Keith—a son (James Edward).

RANKIN.—On June 9th, to Jocylene and Jamie—a daughter (Emily).

SANDILANDS.—On June 7th, to Charlotte and Paul—a daughter (Marietta Minette).

SPURLING.—On 9th June, at Watford, to Poh Wah (nee Tham) and Roy—a son (Leigh).

WALTERS. — On June 4th, to Verity (nee Smythe) and Philip —a daughter (Lucy).

YATES.—On June 7th, at Winchester, to Eleanor (Jones) and Bob—a son.

BIRTHDAYS

JACKIE. Happy 16th birthday.—Love from Mummy.

JENNY P.—Happy birthday, all my love, E. T. Hardy S.P. 330, 374.

SARAH JANE HOLLINGSWORTH. —Many happy returns on your 16th birthday.—Mum, Dad, Sandra, Grandma.

MARRIAGES

DARLEY : LEE.—On Saturday, June 7th, 1980, at St George's, Hanover Square, Charles Russell Darley, to Trudy Jaqueline, Lee.

DEATHS

ALLBEURY.—On 9th June, 1980, at Pembury Hospital, Florence, aged 84 years, of Maridadi, Blackness Rd., Crowborough, loved mother of Phyl and Ted. No flowers please but donations if desired to Care Foundation Hospice at Home, c/o Paul Bysouth & Son Ltd., Funeral Directors, telephone Crowborough 5000.

ANGWIN.—On June 7th after a long and painful illness, courageously borne, Francoise Marie Suzanne, wife of Colin, mother of Christopher, Roderick and Patrick, daughter of the late Dr Gaston Lacronique and Madame Lacronique. Funeral service Eglise St Augustin, 46 Boulevard Malesherbes, 75008 Paris, France at 4.00 pm on Thursday 12th June. Donations if desired to Cancer Research.

ARKELL, VERA ANYON.—At West Herts. Hospital on June 9th, after a short illness, Most dearly loved wife of Ted, mother of Jon and grandmother of Michael and Brigitte. At her request private funeral, no flowers, no letters please.

BENTLEY-TAYLOR. — On 10th June, after a short illness, John Martin Bentley-Taylor, MC, of The Hyde, Ivington, Leominster, Herefordshire, aged 63. Beloved husband of Marion and younger son of Mr and Mrs R. M. Bentley-Taylor of Llanwre, Hereford. Funeral service at the Priory Church, Leominster, on 16th June at 2.30 p.m., followed by burial at Ivington. Flowers from the family and friends or donations to the Leominster Priory Church and Ivington Church would be welcome.

CHAPMAN.—On 8th June, Gladys Maud, suddenly but peacefully at the Mayday Hospital, Croydon, aged 78 years. Much treasured nanny, deeply missed and loved by Emmie, Katie, Peter, Sue, Celia and Jim.

HAYDEN.—On June 9th at Bath, Captain Frederick William Hayden, CBE, DSC, RN, beloved husband of Ruth, father of Katherine and Mark. Funeral service at All Saints Church, Weston, Bath on the 13th of June at 11.30 am. No flowers please.

HUMBLE.—On June 10th, 1980, at Westminster Hospital, Professor Joseph Graeme Humble, C.V.O., F.R.C.P., F.R.C. (Path) aged 66 years. Devoted husband of Ann and loving father of Richard, Michael and Stephen. Funeral service on Monday, June 16th at Leatherhead Crematorium at 4.00 p.m. Family flowers only but donations if desired to his much loved Westminster Hospital Leukaemia Fund.

HUNTER.—On June 5th, peacefully at home at Wells-next-the-Sea, Norfolk, Harold Lyle Hunter, M.B.E., M.A., dearly loved husband of Margaret, father of Felicity and 5th son of the late Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Hunter.

LAVERY, MARY.—Widow of James, quietly at home in Ilford, on June 10th.

LITTLE.—On Wednesday 11th June, peacefully at Donnington Hayes nursing home, Newbury, Ann Henderson Kincaid Little, aged 96 years. Funeral service at St Lawrence's Church, Hungerford, on Wednesday 18th June at 3 p.m. Family flowers only but donations if desired to the church.

ROSE.—On 9th June, peacefully in hospital after a long illness, Millicent of 43 Downshire Hill, NW3. Funeral at Golders Green Crematorium on Friday June 13th at 3.45 pm.

ROTH.—On June 10th, 1980, at the Derbyshire Royal Infirmary, Mary, aged 81 years, wife of the late Colonel A. A. Roth, late of Edinburgh.

SASSOON.—On 9th June, 1980, Violet at St. Helier, Jersey. The funeral service will take place at the Jersey Crematorium on Monday, June 16th, at 2 p.m. Pitcher and Le Quesne, 0534-35935.

DEATHS

SMITH.—On June 6th, 1980, peacefully and painlessly, in Stockport Infirmary, Mary Kathleen Barrington, aged 81 years. Beloved wife of George Ingham Smith. Much loved by her children Elisabeth, Peter, Felicity, David and Christopher, by her 15 grandchildren and by her six great grandchildren.

TENNANT.—On June 9th, William Dalrymple, swiftly and peacefully at home in his 79th year. Much beloved father of John, Malcolm and Patricia and grandfather of Sarah and Richard. Cremation private at 10.30 a.m., June 13th, Reading Crematorium. Thanksgiving service at 12 noon, St. Mary's, Bucklebury, on Wednesday, June 18th. Flowers to Camp Hobson, Newbury, or offering to St. Mary's Church, Bucklebury Restoration Fund.

TITMAN.—On June 10th, 1980, peacefully at home, Sir George Alfred Titman, C.B.E., M.V.O., beloved husband of Eva, devoted father of Dorothy and John and grandfather of Christopher and Jeffrey. Funeral at St. Martin's Church, Epsom, on Tuesday, June 17th, at 11 a.m., followed by private cremation. No flowers.

QUIGGIN.—On June 7th in South Africa, George Hilary Hingston of Pietermaritzburg, formerly Surveyor General, Northern Rhodesia, husband of Catherine (Kitty), eldest son of the late E. C. and A. H. Quiggin of Cambridge.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

BLOCK.—A service of thanksgiving will be held for Marjorie Eileen Block at the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Battle, Sussex, at 2.30 p.m., on Friday, 27th June, 1980.

COLEMAN.—There will be a Thanksgiving Service for the life of Cyril Frank Coleman at the Congregational Church, High St., Cranbrook, Kent, on Friday, June 27th at 3 p.m.

JONES.—A Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Dr. Margaret Jones will be held at 3.30 p.m. on Monday, 23rd June in St. Olave's Church, Hart Street, (between Mark Lane and Seething Lane), London E.C.3.

SWAYNE.—A memorial service for the late John Felix Crealock Swayne will be held at St. Clement Danes Church, Strand, London, W.C.2, on Friday, July 11th, 1980, at 12.00 noon.

WILLIAMS, PHOEBE (nee Sproat), of Haughley Park, Suffolk. A Service of Thanksgiving for her life will be held on Tuesday, June 24th, at 4.15 p.m., at the Parish Church, Elmswell, Suffolk.

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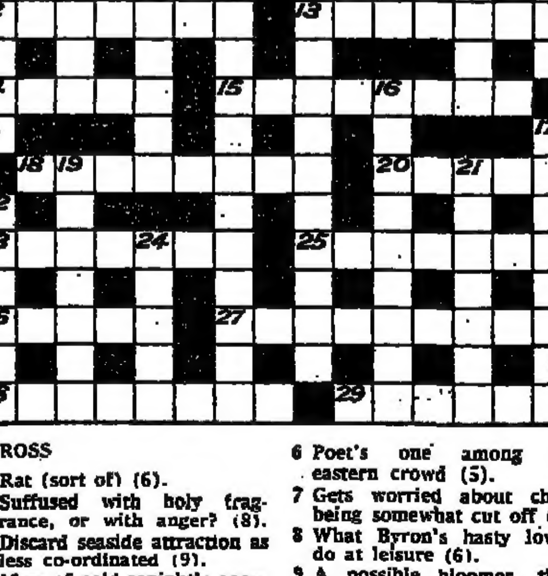

ACROSS

1 Rat (sort of) (6).
4 Suffused with holy fragrance, or with anger? (8).
10 Discard seaside attraction as less co-ordinated (9).
11 *Mass of gold tonight's opening might produce* (5).
12 Suspicion of Mark Fish (7).
13 They help the growth of angry plots (7).
14 Forlorn, but not for a girl (5).
15 Use water from Latvian gulf in strange rite (8).
18 This knight's friend holds ruinous fairs (8).
20 Conclude it comes from certain fertilizers (5).
23 English remark, but how continental! (7).
25 Sovereign that is banished sadly no longer this (7).
26 Register for cowboys (5).
27 No longer a strain in the annexe (9).
28 One of 9 (Miles in front) (8).
29 Fee for a singer, say (6).

DOWN

1 Record pile confused a follower (8).
2 He may be in or out (7).
3 Acts of retaliation press liar to reform (9).
5 Lifeboat institution besieged by swirling throngs, the merry dancers (8,6).
6 Poet's one among the eastern crowd (5).
7 Gets worried about chaps being somewhat cut off (7).
8 What Byron's hasty lovers do at leisure (6).
9 A possible bloomer, their transatlantic transport? (7,7).
16 Venice rag may give ground for complaint (9).
17 Detainee, as was Pius IX of the Vatican (8).
19 Country song about ordinary soldiers (7).
21 Six-inch rule? Must be imported (7).
22 One form of transport unserviceable, like his wings (6).
24 Correct Chinese word ending (5).

Solution of Puzzle No 15,246

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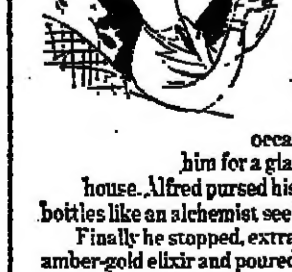

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